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To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington, D.C.

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From: J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING DISCS

[redacted] October 20, 1950, he, his wife, and daughter, who reside at [redacted] New Haven, went out of their home into the back yard at approximately 6:15 p.m. His young daughter called his attention to a star which was moving, and Mr. [redacted] noted a sphere-like object directly overhead that gave a steady golden-orange glow. He stated that this object was very high, being between ten to twenty thousand feet high, possibly higher. The glow given off was very steady, not blinking, and the whole sphere itself glowed in about the same consistency. He witnessed this object for approximately twenty seconds, during which time it traveled in a westerly direction toward New York City. It then veered in a southerly direction, as if crossing Long Island, or possibly in such a direction that it might have been traveling over Long Island. He lost sight of this object as it disappeared behind trees.

He advised the size of the object was approximately ten times the diameter of Venus, which was shining very brightly that night. He stated it was a very clear night and that all the stars in the sky were twinkling, as compared to the steadiness of the glow given off by this object. He advised that the object did not appear to diminish in size as it traveled farther away, but appeared to maintain about the same size as when he first

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noticed it directly overhead. The same steady orange glow persisted during the entire time that he witnessed it. Although this object was actually cut from his sight by nearby trees, Mr. [redacted] stated that it was so far away at that time that he probably would have lost sight of it very shortly. The object made no sound whatsoever, and there seemed to be no attachments or projections of any kind. Mr. [redacted] stated the object was a complete circular ball. He had no idea as to the method of propulsion, but advised that at the time it seemed to change directions, probably over New York City, and that it seemed to back up and go forward, possibly two or three times, in order to execute a change of direction. There were no clouds in the sky which interfered with his vision, and he could not comment as to whether or not this object penetrated or circumvented clouds. The object left no trail of any kind, and Mr. [redacted] mathematically calculated its speed at between 600 and 700 miles per hour, depending on the height, which he stated he could not accurately compute. He advised that he could not recall any odors and had no idea as to the construction of the object.

To Mr. [redacted]' knowledge, the only other persons in this area to have witnessed the object were his wife and daughter. Immediately upon sighting the object, Mrs. [redacted] ran to the door of neighbors occupying the same house as the [redacted] to bring them to the yard. However, these neighbors did not witness the object, since it disappeared before they got outside.

Mr. [redacted] stated that he is a Chemical Engineer and has fifteen years of experience in research and development. He is not a pilot, but has done considerable flying, and has also done considerable reading, including technical data concerning flying saucers and discs. He understands from reading the above matters that the star Venus is often mistaken by observers for flying saucers, and he pointed out that he feels that he is familiar with astronomy and did not confuse the object he saw with Venus, since he also recalled seeing Venus in the sky on that particular evening, and compared the size of this object as being ten times Venus' diameter. He also stated that he computed the speed at which this object was traveling by using points in his area, such as roof tops and tree tops, together with the distance he walked on the ground in order to keep the object in sight.

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WASHINGTON

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF
17TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO

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File No: (24-8)-28

25 May 1950

SUBJECT: Summary of Observations of Aerial Phenomena in the New Mexico Area, December 1948 - May 1950

TO: Brigadier General Joseph F. Carroll
Director of Special Investigations
Headquarters USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

1. In a liaison meeting with other military and government intelligence and investigative agencies in December 1948, it was determined that the frequency of unexplained aerial phenomena in the New Mexico area was such that an organized plan of reporting these observations should be undertaken. The organization and physical location of units of this District were most suitable for collecting these data, therefore, since December 1948, this District has assumed the responsibility for collecting and reporting basic information with respect to aerial phenomena occurring in this general area. These reports have been distributed to the Air Materiel Command, USAF, in accordance with Air Intelligence Requirements No. 4, and to other interested military and government agencies.

2. There is attached, as a part of this summary, a compilation of aerial phenomena sightings that have occurred mostly in the New Mexico area and have been reported by this District Office subsequent to December 1948. This compilation of sightings is not a complete record of all reported observations, but includes only those in which sufficient information was available to justify their inclusion. The observers of these phenomena include scientists, Special Agents of the Office of Special Investigations (IG) USAF, airline pilots, military pilots, Los Alamos Security Inspectors, military personnel, and many other persons of various occupations whose reliability is not questioned. This compilation sets forth the most important characteristics with respect to each observation and evaluates each sighting into one of three classifications, (1) green fireball phenomenon, (2) disc or variation, and (3) probably meteoric.

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3. There is also attached an analysis of the green fireball occurrences in this area made by Dr. Lincoln LaPaz. Dr. LaPaz is the

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Director of the Institute of Meteoritics and Head of the Department of Mathematics and Astronomy at the University of New Mexico. He was Research Mathematician at the New Mexico Proving Grounds under an OSRD appointment in 1943 and 1944, and Technical Director of the Operations Analysis Section, Headquarters, Second Air Force, 1944-45. Since 1948, Dr. LaPaz has served on a voluntary basis as consultant for this District in connection with the green fireball investigations.

4. On 17 February 1949 and again on 14 October 1949, conferences were held at Los Alamos, New Mexico, for the purpose of discussing the green fireball phenomena. Representatives of the following organizations were present at these meetings: Fourth Army, Armed Forces Special Weapons Project, University of New Mexico, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, University of California, U. S. Air Force Scientific Advisory Board, Geophysical Research Division Air Materiel Command USAF, and the Office of Special Investigations (IG) USAF. A logical explanation was not proffered with respect to the origin of the green fireballs. It was, however, generally concluded that the phenomena existed and that they should be studied scientifically until these occurrences have been satisfactorily explained. Further, that the continued occurrence of unexplained phenomena of this nature in the vicinity of sensitive installations is cause for concern.

5. The Geophysical Research Division, Air Materiel Command, Cambridge, Massachusetts, has recently let a contract to Land-Air, Inc., Holloman AFB, Alamogordo, New Mexico, for a limited scientific study of green fireballs. The results of this scientific approach to the problem will undoubtedly be of great value in determining the origin of these phenomena.

6. This summary of observations of aerial phenomena has been prepared for the purpose of re-emphasizing and reiterating the fact that phenomena have continuously occurred in the New Mexico skies during the past 18 months and are continuing to occur, and, secondly, that these phenomena are occurring in the vicinity of sensitive military and government installations.

Doyle Rees

DOYLE REES
Lt Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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1. Summary of Sightings
2. Photo of Sighting No. 175 w/comments
3. Ltr fr Dr. LaPaz to Lt Col Rees, dtd 23 May 50
4. Graph indicating maximums

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SEC URGENT 10/18/5(

Transmit the following message to:

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16. Color of object _____

17. Sound _____

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18. Odor _____

19. Speed _____

20. Evidence of trail or exhaust _____

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21. Effect on clouds _____

22. Tactics or manoeuvers _____

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REPORT OF UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS
U.S ATOMIC ENERGY SECURITY SERVICE
LOS ALAMOS, NEW MEXICO

DATE _____ (Day) _____ (Month), 195_

1. Name of Observer _____ Last _____ First _____ M.I.

   Station assigned _____ Section _____

   Home Address _____ Telephone _____

   Names of other known observers _____

2. Time and date of sighting _____ hours _____ Day _____ Month 195_

3. Point of observation _____

4. Direction of object from observer _____

5. Distance of object from observer _____

6. Angle of elevation from horizon _____ degrees _____

7. Direction of flight of object _____

8. Time in sight _____

9. Number of objects _____

10. Shape of object _____

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TO : MR. LADD

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

DATE: October 19, 1950

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

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The matter of flying saucers was discussed by Special Agent [redacted] with Major General Joseph F. Carroll of OSI on October 16, 1950, at which time General Carroll advised that insofar as he has been able to determine the Air Force is not working on any type of "flying saucer" or "flying disk". General Carroll stated that the Air Force is working on high altitude rockets and jet aircraft. He stated these experiments may account for some of the reports concerning flying saucers but that the Air Force is not apparently working on anything which is the cause of the many flying saucers reports. He stated that the Air Force program for investigating reports concerning flying saucers, etc., has been reinstituted at Wright Field and that any pertinent information of interest coming to his attention will be furnished to the Bureau.

RECOMMENDATION:

The foregoing is for your information.

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DENVER--A CONSTRUCTION WORKER AT LOS ALAMOS, N.M., HAS REPORTED THAT A STRANGE "BLINKING OBJECT" SOARED OVER A HIGHLY RESTRICTED AREA OF THE BIG ATOMIC ENERGY CENTER.

LEE ROBINSON OF THE ARMEX CONSTRUCTION COMPANY SENT THE DENVER POST A COPY OF A MIMEOGRAPHED FORM WHICH HE USED TO REPORT THE OBJECT TO THE AEC.

THE FORMS ARE PREPARED BY THE AEC FOR "REPORTS OF UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS AT LOS ALAMOS."

THE ORIGINAL THREE-PAGE REPORT, ROBINSON SAID, WAS SUBMITTED TO THE ATOMIC ENERGY SECURITY SERVICE SEPT. 12., THE DAY ROBINSON AND EIGHT OTHER EMPLOYEES OF THE ARMEX COMPANY SAY THEY SAW THE OBJECT.

ROBINSON SAID HE AND THE OTHERS WERE EATING LUNCH WHEN THE UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT PASSED OVER. HE SAID IT "WAS NOT A BALLOON OR A CONVENTIONAL TYPE OF AIRCRAFT."

ROBINSON SAID THE OBJECT APPEARED TO BE AT AN ALTITUDE OF ABOUT 20,00 FEET. IT ALTERNATELY FLASHED BRIGHT AND BLACK AT INTERVALS OF TWO SECONDS, HE SAID, AND WAS VISIBLE FOR THREE MINUTES AND 40 SECONDS.

THE SPECIALLY MIMEOGRAPHED FORMS INDICATED THE AEC IS HIGHLY CONCERNED WITH UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS OVER THE PROJECT. THE FORMS CONTAIN SPACES FOR INFORMANTS TO REPORT ON LUMINOSITY OF OBJECT, APPARENT MEANS OF SUPPORT AND PROPULSION AND "ODOR" OF THE OBJECT.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: November 9, 1950

FROM : SAC, NEW HAVEN

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS
[redacted] INFORMANT

The following is being brought to the attention of the Bureau so that it may be referred to the Department of the Air Force in connection with instructions set forth in SAC Letter No. 38, Series 1949, dated March 25, 1949.

Mr. [redacted] Avenue, New Haven, was interviewed in connection with other official business and furnished the following information:

He advised that on Friday, October 20, 1950, he and his wife and daughter, who reside at [redacted] New Haven, went out of the back door of their home to the back yard at approximately 6:15 P.M. His little daughter called his attention to a star in the sky that was moving and Mr. [redacted] noted a sphere-like object directly overhead which gave a steady golden orange glow. He stated that this object was very high between ten to twenty thousand feet, possibly higher. The glow given off was very steady and not blinking and the whole sphere itself glowed in about the same consistency. He witnessed this object for approximately twenty seconds during which time it traveled in a westerly direction toward New York City and then when Mr. [redacted] believed that possibly it was near or over New York City, it then veered in a southerly direction as if crossing Long Island or possibly in such a direction that it might have been traveling over Long Island. He lost sight of this object as it disappeared behind trees in his vicinity. He advised that as to the size of the object, it was approximately ten times the diameter of Venus, which was shining very brightly that night. He states it was a very clear night and that all the stars in the sky were twinkling as compared to the steadiness of the glow given off by this object. He advised that the object did not appear to diminish in size as it traveled farther away from him but appeared to maintain about the same size as when he first noticed it directly overhead. The same steady orange glow persisted during the entire time that he witnessed it. Although this object was actually cut from his sight by nearby trees, Mr. [redacted] states that it was so far away from him any way that he probably would have lost sight of it very shortly due to distance had the trees not intervened. The object made no sound whatsoever

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and there seemed to be no attachments or projections of any kind, just a complete circular ball. He had no idea as to the method of propulsion but advised that at the time it seemed to change directions, probably over New York City, that it had seemed to back up and go forward, possibly two or three times in order to execute a change of direction. There were no clouds in the sky that interfered with his vision of this object and he could not comment as to whether or not this object penetrated or circumvented clouds. The object left no trail of any kind and Mr. [redacted] mathematically calculated its speed at between four hundred and seven hundred miles per hour, depending on the height which he stated he could not accurately compute. He advised that he could not recall any odors and had no idea as to its construction. To his knowledge the only other persons in this area to have witnessed this object were his wife and daughter. Immediately upon sighting the object, his wife ran to the door of neighbors occupying the same house as the [redacted] to bring them to the yard. However, these neighbors had not witnessed the object as by the time they got outside the object had disappeared.

Mr. [redacted] stated that he is a Chemical Engineer, has fifteen years of experience in research and development. He is not a pilot but has done considerable flying and has also done considerable reading, including technical data concerning flying saucers and discs. He understands from reading the above matters that the star Venus is often mistaken by observers for flying saucers and he pointed out that he feels that he is familiar with astronomy not to confuse the object he saw with Venus as he also recalls Venus in the sky on that particular evening and compared the size of this object as being ten times Venus' diameter. He also states that he computed the speed at which this object was traveling by using points in his area, such as, roof tops and tree tops together with the distance he walked on the ground in order to keep the object in sight.

Mr. [redacted] was advised that the Bureau would turn this information over to another agency and indicated that this was according to his approval. He specifically requested that no public announcement or comment be given to the fact that he had reported seeing the above object. Mr. [redacted] appeared to be a very reliable and sincere individual and evidences considerable technical knowledge and experience in reporting the above incident.

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Flee Air Cond reports military jet pilots vic Fairbanks while over Weeks International Field at an altitude of 8000 feet observed a flash of light, yellow in color at an altitude between 25,000 and 30,000 feet. Horizontal distance to object was aprx 50 miles. Soon after flash a dark brown smoke appeared to [illegible] or climb at an angle of 40 degrees. At the leading edge of the smoke at aprx 100 feet appeared an object either cigar shaped or a fuselage without wings travelling at terrific speed. Pilots started pursuit on heading of 210 degrees msg, indicating 380 at a very steep climb. Pursuit continued until pilots reached village of clear and lost sight of object. Meantime object gained altitude and speed and disappeared because of distance of aprx 50 to 55,000 feet. Color of smoke brown, color of object dark and no reflection from sunlight. Pilots assured of shape because of perfect silhouette against the sun. One pilot had object in view aprx 4½ mins. First sighted at 1500262. Coordinates 64 degs 13 mins North, 149 degs 30 mins West. Alt info will be fwd when obtained.

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Upon receiving the above information from Mr. [redacted] he was advised that this Bureau would turn the information over to another Government agency. Mr. [redacted] indicated his approval of this action, but specifically requested that no public announcement or comment be given to the fact that he had reported seeing the above object.

The above information has been furnished to your office for your confidential information and assistance in connection with the captioned matter. It is requested that no dissemination be made of this information.

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Summary [illegible]

Number	Date	Time	Number of Observers	*Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal to Vertical	Color	Train or Trail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance	**Evaluation
29	1949 [illegible] ar	2020	2	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	N 60° E	55° above horizon		[illegible]-white light			None	Ball like flash	Basketball	"Fixed Flash"		[redacted] 65
30	[illegible] Mar	2045	1	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	From [illegible] to S 60° W	From 21° [illegible] horizon to 60° above		Light [illegible] Head orange trail	Yes		None	[illegible] with trail	About 10° in 1 [illegible]			[redacted] 65
31	7 Mar	0115	1	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	N 60° E	65° 15' above horizon		Bril-liant blue-white			None	Like flash bulb	Flash bulb			[redacted] 65
32	7 Mar	0130	1	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	N 15° W	27° 30' above horizon		Bright blue-white			None	Like flash bulb	Basketball	"Fixed flash"		[redacted] 65
33	7 Mar	0130 0200	2	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	S 20° W	26° above horizon		Bluish white			None	Ball like flash	Flash bulb			[redacted] 65
34	7 Mar	0145	1	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	N 60° E		Dropped vertically to ground	Orange		2 secs	None	Tear-drop	2' by 1'		Disappeared behind trees	[redacted] 65

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Number	Date	Time	Number of Observers	Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal to Vertical	Color	Rain or Hail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance	Validity
39	1949 Mar	0103		Unk	Camp Hood, Texas	From N 56° W to S 64° W	From 15° above horizon	Traveled in arc	Pale reddish then whitish red trail	Yes		None	Comet w/tail			Disappeared	65
40	13 Mar	2153		Unk	Albuquerque, New Mexico	NE to SW or SW to NE	20° above horizon	Descending slightly	Bluish or greenish white	Yes	2-4 secs	None	Length of tail diameter of ball	½ diameter of ball moon			65
41	14 Mar	05-00-16Z		X	Airplane enroute fr Honolulu to Canton Is		6°-12° above airplane at 1,000	Horizontal			10 secs	None	Resc like bullet		75° in 9 secs		65
42	27 Mar	1300 1605		Unk	Tucumcari, New Mexico	E to W	High in sky -app. 30° above horizon		Amber	None	25 mts	None	Long & narrow			Faded out in distance	65
43	27 Mar	1800		Unk	Montoya, New Mexico	E to W	About 75° above		Orange flame	None	10 Mts	None	Long & narrow	Length-about 1/6 lunar diameter, width-about 1/6 length		Faded out in distance	65

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Summary of Reports of Unidentified Aerial Phenomena, 1948 (cont)

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Number	Date	Time	Number of Observers	Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal to Vertical	Color	Train or Tail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Comments Given	Comments Noted	Manner of Disappearance
5	[illegible] Dec	Night	1	b5	Phoenix, Arizona	E to W			Green		75 [illegible]			[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	5 or 6 Dec	Appx 2200	1	b5	Vaughn, New Mexico		400' - 500'	Descending slowly in vertical manner	Bright white			None	Round	Larger than basketball	Descending slowly	Exploded
7	25 Nov	Appx 2200	1	b5	Vaughn, New Mexico		[illegible]' - 500'	Descending slowly in vertical manner	Bright white			None	Round	Larger than basketball	Descending slowly	Exploded
8	6 Dec	2100	2	b5	Las Vegas, New Mexico	W to E	Slightly above 2,000'	Horizontal slightly descending	Whitish orange		Few secs					Disappeared
9	6 Dec	Appx 2200	2	b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico	No movement noted	10,500'	Parabolic curve	Green	Yes	2 secs	None	Round			Faded out
10	6 Dec	2255	1	b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	E to W		Slight falling arch	Green	Yes	2--3 secs	None	Round	1/3 diameter of moon	Rapid	Vanished
11	6 Dec	1033	2	b5	Las Vegas, New Mexico	NNE to WSW	13,500'	Horizontal	Bright green	Yes	2 secs	None		Larger than a flare	Rapid rate of speed	Faded out

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Summary of Sightings of Unknown Aerial Phenomena, 17th District OSI (cont)

Number	Date	Time	Number of Observers	Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal or Vertical	Color	Train or Trail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance	Evaluation
12	11 Dec 1949	1930		[redacted] b6	Hood River, Oregon				Blue & white			Yes	Flash			Flash w/noise like thunder	
13	12 Dec	2102	5	[redacted] b6	15 miles south of Las Vegas, New Mexico	E to W	5 - 10 miles	Horizontal	Very bright green		2.1-2.3 secs	None	Ball	Magnitude -4		Broke into 3 or 4 small fragments & disappeared	
14	20 Dec	2035	4	[redacted] b6	Los Alamos New Mexico	W to E	Great height descending	30° to the horizon	Pale green or bluish white	[redacted]	1-1/2 secs	None	Ball	[redacted]	High speed	Disappeared behind mountain	[redacted] b6
15	22 Dec	0431	1	[redacted] b6	Los Alamos, New Mexico	N to S	Descended from high alt [redacted]	Descending in vertical path	White		Sev. secs	None	Star	Star	Slower than falling star	Disappeared w/greenish flash	[redacted] b6
16	1949 6 Jan	1750	1	[redacted] b6	Albuquerque New Mexico	SE to NW	1500' - 2000'	Horizontal	Bright white			None	Diamond	App. 2' long	Much faster than a jet	Disappeared	[redacted] b6
17	6 Jan	0310	1	[redacted] b6	Los Alamos, New Mexico	E to W	5 to 8° from observer	Horizontal	Brilliant green		2 secs	None			High speed	Disappeared behind mountainous horizon	[redacted] b6
18	30 Jan	1754	Appx 200	[redacted] b6	El Paso, Texas	NW to SE	3° - 5° above horizon	Horizontal	Green			None	Ball			Broke into pieces	[redacted] b6

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Summary [illegible] Unusual Aerial Phenomena, 1/st District CD. (cont)

Number	Day	Time	Number of Observers & Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal to Vertical	Color	Area or Trail	Direction of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance	Evaluation
19	30 Jan	1755	App 200 65	Roswell, New Mexico	W to E	2000'	Horizontal	Blue-green			None			Moving slowly	Disappeared to some. Disintegrated in to shower of smaller lighted fragments	65
20	30 Jan	1800	App 200 65	Alamogordo, New Mexico	E to [illegible]	Angle of Climb 150-30° [illegible] Fort [illegible]	Gradual Ascent	Green		5 - 15 [illegible]	None - all				Seemed to fizzle out	65
21	30 Jan	1756 2100	10 65	Ft. Worth, Texas	E to S	13° Above Horizon	30° downward from Horizon	Green brilliant sparks	Yes	1 - 7 secs	None		1/2 size of full moon		Disintegration	65
22	16 Feb	1940	2 65	Amado, New Mexico		Somewhat above Horizon	Stationary then fell in slight curve to W	Brilliant white slightly green color	Yes		Mono			Stationary then fell in slight curve to W.		65

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Summary of Significant Unidentified Aerial Phenomena, 14th Period CST (cont)

Number	Date	Time	Number of Observers	Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal to Vertical	Color	Train or Trail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance	Evaluation
23	17 Feb	1900	1	65	Grants, New Mexico	Southward		Vertical climb then leveled off Gradual ascent	White	Yes		None	Oval	Larger than meteor		Disappeared	65
24	17 Feb		Appx 100	65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	W to E			Brilliant white shifting to each color		5 secs	None	Round shift-ing to ellipse	1 lunar diameter		Disappeared	65
25	27 Feb	1905	1	65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	W to E		Parallel to earth	Green-white		2 secs	None			Not as fast as meteor	Disappeared abruptly	65
26	2 Mar	0010	1	65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	E to S	"Low in sky"	Horizontal	Bright		2 secs	None			Very fast	Disappeared behind trees	
27	2 Mar	0159	1	65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Straight down		Straight down	Bright green							Disappeared	65
28	6 Mar	2100	2	65	Camp Hood, Texas	From N 74° W N 81° W	From 6° 45' above horizon		Blue-white light	Yes		None	Oblong	2' by 1'	Not known		65

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Number	Date	Time	Number of Observers	*Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal to Vertical	Color	Train or Trail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance	**Evaluation
80	1949 28 Jul	2045	1	[redacted] b5	Killeen Base, Texas	E to S	30° above horizon		White w/tint of blue green	Yes	3-5 secs	None	Round w/tail	Size of evening star	Unable to estimate	Faded out	[redacted] b5
81	28 Jul	2259	1	[redacted] b5	Killeen, Texas	S to E	30° above horizon		2 predominately white. 1 had orange glow to tail	Yes	#1 at 2-3 secs #2 at 10 - 12 secs	None	Round w/tail	Tennis ball		Faded out	[redacted] b5
82	28 Jul	2259	1	[redacted] b5	Killeen, Texas	E to NW	30° above horizon		Initially blue turning white	None	15 - 20 secs	None	Round	3 times size evening star		Went out like light	[redacted] b5
83	30 Jul	2135	1	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	SE to NW	35° to horizon	Climbed in arc	Blue-white	Yes	2 - 2½ secs	None	Like rocket tail		2 - 2½ secs to cover arc of about 15°	Faded out	[redacted] b5
84	30 Jul	2204	1	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	SE to SW	App 30° above horizon	Straight flight losing altitude	Predominately white w/blue tint	Yes	2 - 3 secs	None	Round w/tail	Evening star or planet	Very fast	Gradually faded out	[redacted] b5

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75	1969 24 Jun	1845 1930	[redacted]	[redacted] 65	Mesa, Arizona	1 to SE 2 to E 3 to NE 4 vertical 5 to E		4 Horizontal 1 Vertical	Steel gray		4 at 30 secs 1 at 23 secs	None	Disc w/2 flanges		Max of 400 mph	Faded from view	[redacted] 65
76	27 Jun	2138	[redacted]	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	W to E	30° to 60° above horizon		Similar to star Slightly more orange	Yes	2 mts	None	Round	Slightly larger than brightest star	140° in 2 mts.	Went behind building	[redacted] 65
77	28 Jun	2010	[redacted]	[redacted]	Flagstaff, Arizona	E to W	30° from vertical		Yellow in front Red behind	None		None	Bullet shaped	½ size of small airplane	Relatively slow	Over a hill	[redacted] 65
78	30 Jun	1630	[redacted]	[redacted] 65	Seligman, Arizona	E	30° above horizon		Dull grey	None	5 secs	None	Circle	Appeared 1½° diameter at 10,000' altitude	2,000 mph or faster	Disappeared in distance	[redacted] 65
79	11 Jul	2110	[redacted]	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	W by SW	30° above horizon		Pale red	None	2 secs	None	Ball - but not a perfect circle	Twice as large as evening star		Such as turning off flashlight	[redacted] 65

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68	1949 9 May	Appx 1430	1	b5	Tucson, Arizona	SW to NE			Silvery	None	6-10 secs	None	Round & flat	25' in diameter	750-1000 mph	Faded from view	b5
69	12 May	2115 2130	1	b5	Alamocordo, New Mexico		5° or 4° above horizon		White with greenish tinge	None	4 mins	None	2 fuzzy stars	¼ diameter of full moon		Vanished	b5
70	15 May	Appx 1700	1	b5	Tucson, Arizona	E to W	30000'	Horizontal	Black	None	8-10 secs	None	Round solid flat	3 - 4' in diameter	800-1000 MPH	Behind aircraft hangar	b5
71	2 Jun	0040	1	b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	E to N	7000' - 12,000'	Descending	Green	Yes	1 sec	None	Ball of light				b5
72	11 Jun	2057	1	b5	Los Alamos,	SW to NE	25° above horizon		Green then red at end of flight	Yes	4 - 5 secs	None		Size of star			b5
73	20 Jun	2010	1	b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	W to E			Green turned orange red before vanishing	None	3 secs	None	Round			Extinguished	b5
74	20 Jun	2010	1	b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	W to E	Directly overhead		Blue green	None	1-1/2 secs	None				Vanished as the setting'd.	b5

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62	1949 6 May	2040 2130	1	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	W and N	App 1200' dropping to 440'		Alternating pinkish to green	None	50 mts	None	Round	½ dollar diminishing to short quarter size	Very slow	Faded from sight	[redacted] b5
63	6 May	0105	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	N to S	5° above horizon	Was going down at an angle of 30 - 35°	Green		Fraction of a sec	None	Round	App 1/8 size of full moon	Very high rate of speed	Disappeared west of Jemez Mts.	[redacted] b5
64	7 May	2025 2105	4	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	SE	1300'		Green-white	None	40 mts	None	Diamond shape	5 mils width	Covered 15 mils in 40 mins horiz.	Dimmed and went out	[redacted] b5
65	7 May	1940	1	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	N and E	1000'		Reddish greenish white	None	57 sec	None	Diamond shape	5 mils width	Covered 20 mils in 57 secs horiz.	Dimmed and went out	[redacted] b5
66	8 May	2008 2017	1	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	N and E	1500'		Reddish greenish white	None	9 mts	None	Diamond	2 mils width	10 mils in 9 mts	Dimmed and went out	[redacted] b5
67	8 May	0930 1100	4	[redacted] b5	Tucson, Arizona	W, 90° turn to the N	4000 to 20,000	Horizontal then rapid climb at 45° angle	White	None	10-20 mts	None	Metallic circular	40-75' in in diameter	Motionless to faster than jet	Climbed at 45° angle until out of sight	[redacted] b5

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57	1949 28 Apr	App 1745	3	[redacted] b5	Tucson, Arizona	NE to SE or SW			Silver	None	12 - 40 mts	None	Cigar or sausage shape	From L-29 to a city block	300 - 600 mph	Faded from view	[redacted] b5
58	30 Apr	2215	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico	E to W	59° above horizon		Blue green	None	2 secs [illegible]	None	Round	Tenth of moon	2 seconds 2 degrees	Went out	[redacted] b5
59	3 May	2143	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N	10° - 15° above horizon		Bright white light		10 secs	None			Very fast up to 1,000 mph		[redacted] b5
60	3 May	2126 2143 2205	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N	10° - 15° above horizon		White		3 - 7 secs each time	None		Large - similar to size of airplane landing lights	Very fast		[redacted] b5
61	3 May	2126 2140	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	SE to NW	10° - 15° above horizon		2126-white 2140-red		5 sec 1st; 2 sec 2nd	None		2126-baseball diamond lights, 2140-slightly larger than firebox lights	Same speed as aircraft landing		[redacted] b5

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Number	Date 1948	Time	Number of Observers	*Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal to Vertical	Color	Train or Trail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance	**Evaluation
51	12 Apr	1930	1	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	SE to NW	20° above horizon		White	None	8 secs	None	Round	1/8 size of moon	15° in 8 secs	Extinguished	[redacted] 65
52	15 Apr	1630	1	[redacted] 65	El Paso, Texas	Straight up	About 30°		Grayish	Yes	15 mts	None	Thin smoke trail	Very thin		Dissipated	[redacted] 65
53	18 Apr	0140	2	[redacted] 65	Flagstaff & Williams, Arizona	NW	App 12,000' to one. 75 - 100 miles to other observer		Greenish blue		1 - 2 secs	None	Ball like	100 watt light bulb		Disappeared behind obstacle	[redacted] 65
54	22 Apr	0905	1	[redacted] 65	Cliff, New Mexico	W to E	20° droping slowly		Aluminum	None	2 mts	None	Round, flat thin, disc-shape	Over 15' in diameter		Disappeared behind mountains	[redacted] 65
55	24 Apr	1033	5	[redacted] 65	White Sands, New Mexico	E	25-28°		White light yellow		80 secs	None	Ellipsoid		Tremendous rate of speed	Disappeared due to distance	[redacted] 65
56	27 Apr	0930	2	[redacted] 65	Springer, New Mexico	2 groups going W 2 groups going E	Well above 30,000'		Silvery white	None	4 grps totaling about 20 sec	Yes	Round	Very small	Very fast well above speed of sound.	Disappeared from view	[redacted] 65

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SUMMARY OF [illegible] OF UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL PHENOMENA
Reported by the 17th District Office of Special Investigations (AF), Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico

Number	Date	Time	Number of Observers	*Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal or Vertical	Color	Train or Trail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance
1	[illegible] Jan	2300	1	b5	Point of impact on line between Crest and Hicy	Almost vertical decent followed by "bouncing"		20° above horizon Descending	Brilliant white		2 - 3 secs.	None		Compare w/planet Venus on unusually clear [illegible]		Disap[illegible]
2	letter rec'd 1947	Appx. 2000	1	b5	Vaughn, New Mexico		2000' - 3000'	Descending slowly in vertical manner	[illegible] white			None	Round	Larger than basketball	Descending slowly	[illegible]
3	1948 27 Jul	0830 0845	1	b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico				Duraluminum reflected light			None	Flat and round		Stationary at times	
4	4 Aug	0200 & 0300	2	b4 b5	North Powder, Oregon	NW to SE	3500'	Horizontal line	Green					Softball	720 mph	Extinguished

LEGEND:
*Reliability of Observers: VR - Very Reliable R - Reliable Unk - Unknown Reliability

(1) "Ground-Fireball" Phenomena (2) "Test" or Variation (3) Probable Meteor

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Number	Date	Time	Number of Observers	Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal to Vertical	Color	Trail or Tail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance	Evaluation
44	27 Mar 1945	1615	1	[redacted]	Tucumcari, New Mexico	E to W	Close to 45° above horizon		Bright orange	None	15 min	None	Long & narrow			Faded out of sight in distance	[redacted]
[illegible]	27 Mar	1300	1	[redacted]	Tucumcari, New Mexico	E to W	70° above horizon		Orange fire	None	15 min	None	Like kite tail	About size of 6-47 at 10,000 ft.		Disappeared behind hills	[redacted]
46	31 Mar	2130	1	[redacted]	Camp Todd, Texas	SW	[illegible]		[illegible] red to [illegible]	Yes	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible] tail	[illegible] size of [illegible]			[redacted]
47	5 Apr	2200	1	[redacted]	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N	Apx. 500' above S slope of Pedernito [illegible]	Arc	Green w/red after glow		1 - 2 sec	None			Tremendous speed	Disappeared behind mountain	[redacted]
48	6 Apr	1205	1	[redacted]	Los Alamos, New Mexico	SE	About 15,000'		Between dk & lt green		3 - 5 secs	None			Very fast		[redacted]
49	7 Apr	0135	1	[redacted]	Los Alamos, New Mexico	W	About 200 yds fr top of [illegible]		Green		Apx 20 secs	None			Moved very slowly		[redacted]
50	7 Apr	0100	1	[redacted]	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N			Green		5 secs	None			Moving slowly		[redacted]

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Ltr Nor	Date 1949	Time	Number of Observers	Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal to Vertical	Color	Train or Trail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance	**Evaluation
86	7 Mar	1610	1	[redacted] bs	Window Rock, Arizona	N	40 - 45° to horizon		Red (fire) in center shading to blue at edge	Yes	6-8 secs	None	Ball round-spherical	3' in diameter	200-300 mph	Disintegrated	[redacted] bs
87	7 Mar	1836	1	[redacted] bs	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N	12,000' to 15,000'	Horizontal	Bright white with greenish tint		1-2 secs	None			Apx 300 mph	Either went out of sight or disappeared behind cloud	[redacted] bs
87	8 Mar	1838	1	[redacted] bs	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N	4,000 above terrain	Descending at 45° angle	Intense white light aluminum colored		Very short	None	Elliptical pointed at ends		Slower than twin-engined plane	Disappeared behind trees	[redacted] bs
88	8 Mar	0105	1	[redacted] bs	Camp Hood, Texas	From S 50° E to S 54° E	From 50° above horizon to 54° above	Traveled in arc	Pale white light	Yes		None	Roundish head w/hazy smoke trail				[redacted] bs

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96	1949 10 Aug	2035	1	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	N to S		Level flight	Yellow to orange	Yes	1 - 2 secs	None		Like headlight of old car	60° in 2 secs	Cut out	[redacted] 65
97	10 Aug	2035 2207 2220 2240	2	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	W to E	30° - 45° above horizon	Level flight	White	Yes	3 - 4 secs	None	Round w/tail	Large flare	Greater speed than plane	Burned out	[redacted] 65
98	10 Aug	2040	1	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas	N to S	30° above horizon	Horizontal w/slight arc	Orange w/white tail	Yes	3 - 5 secs	None	Rocket	20 mm. tracer ammo.	Very great similar to falling star	Light gradually diminished	[redacted] 65
99	10 Aug	2100	[redacted]	[redacted] 65	Killeen Base, Texas	S	30° above horizon going up	Continued climbing at 30° angle until disappearence	Bright orange	Yes	5 secs	None	Reddish ball with long firey tail	Head size		Disappeared	[redacted] 65
100	10 Aug	2100 2120 2215 2250	[redacted]	[redacted] 65	Camp Hood, Texas		60° - 70° above horizon	#1, 3 & 4 almost horizontal #2 almost vertical	White with orange	Yes	1 sec for each one	None	Round with trail	Large star	Great speed	Went out like a light	[redacted] 65

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[illegible]	1949 10 Aug	2200 2230	1	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	S to N	30° above horizon	Level flight	White w/yellow trail	Yes	1 - 2 secs	None	Oval	Size of shooting star	300 mph or faster	Faded out	[redacted] b5
2	10 Aug	2240	1	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	W to S	8,000' or more	Straight flight with gradual incline	Light red diminishing to light yellow	Yes	2 - 3 secs	None	Round w/jagged trail	Much larger than evening star		Burned up and disintegrated	[redacted] b5
103	11 Aug	2030 2045 2052 2105 0010	Sev	[redacted] b5	Camp Hood, Texas	E to S	45 - 60° above horizon	Generally a level flight	White	Yes	3 - 5 secs	None	Flash like a rocket or training flare	Star size	Faster than any plane observed	Went out like a light	[redacted] b5
[illegible]	12 Aug	0010	2	[redacted] b5	Killeen Base, Texas	Due W in arc	45° above horizon	Straight & level flight w/ascent descent describing arc	Bluish white	Yes	10 secs	None	Broken circle resembling signal flare	Head size		Sudden disappearance	[redacted] b5

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85	6 Aug 1949	2000	1	[redacted] b5	Las Cruces, New Mexico	E to W			Bluish green	Yes	1 - 2 secs	None	Round	Bigger than falling star		Disappeared behind building	[redacted] b5
86	6 Aug	2000	1	[redacted] b5	Las Cruces, New Mexico	E to W	3°28" to 9°40" above horizon	Curve going up then fell in almost vertical direction	Reddish blue & green	Yes	4 - 5 secs	None	Round	App 6" in diameter		Disappeared gradually	[redacted] b5
87	6 Aug	2000	1	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	Vertical	2°20" to 7°35" above horizon	Straight vertical flight	Bright white slight reddish cast	Yes	3 secs	None	Round	½ size of moon		Exploded then pieces died out	[redacted] b5
88	6 Aug	2000 2005	1	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	E to W	2°4" to 12°7" above horizon	10° off vertical	White		2 secs	None		Large as auto spotlight at arm's length		Disappeared behind building	[redacted] b5
89	6 Aug	2015	1	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	SW		Straight flight app 20° vertical decline	Whitish yellow (red trail)	Yes	1 sec	None	Round	Twice size normal falling star	Extremely fast - twice as fast as falling star	Disappeared behind mountain	[redacted] b5

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90	1949 6 Aug	2030	1	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	N		Constant slight curve earthward	White (bluish)	Yes	1 sec	None	Round	App smaller than clenched fist	Similar to falling star	Went out	[redacted] 65
91	6 Aug	2020	1	[redacted] b6	Albuquerque, New Mexico	Descending to earth vertically	15° above horizon	Descending to earth vertically	Green	None	1 - 1½ secs	None	Round to pear shape	500 watt bulb about 1/5 mile away	10° in 1½ secs at 2 miles	Dissipated	[redacted] 65
92	6 Aug	2000	1	[redacted] b5	White Sands, New Mexico		40° above horizon	Straight line to earth	Observer color blind	None	1 sec	None	Round	Half size of fingernail at arm's length	Slightly faster than ordinary falling star	Disappeared behind sand dune	[redacted] 65
93	6 Aug	2000	1	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	200°	30° above horizon	Long slow curve to earth	Bluish green	Yes	1 sec	None	Round	Tip of thumb at arm's length		Burned out	[redacted] 65
94	10 Aug	0010	2	[redacted] b5	Killeen Base, Texas	E to W	30° angle headed down	30° angle headed down	Blue	Yes	3 - 4 secs	None	Oval	Head size		Sudden disappearance	[redacted] 65
95	10 Aug	2030	1	[redacted] b5	Killeen Base, Texas	W to S	30° above horizon		White	Yes	5 secs	None	Similar to comet			Disappeared	[redacted] 65

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	1948 30 Aug	2300	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Almost straight fall	80° over-overhead	Almost straight fall	Bright green w/reddish tail	Yes	1 - 2 secs	None		Much larger than meteor		Burned out	[redacted] b5
111	15 Sep	0025	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico		30° above horizon		Yellow red		6 secs	None	Round	Size of baseball		Burst & appeared to disintegrate	[redacted] b5
112	16 Sep	0230	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	W to E	3,000'	Horizontal	Orange	None	15 secs	None	Ball shape	Larger than falling star	Faster than airplane slower than falling star	Dimmed then disappeared completely	[redacted] b5
	18 Sep	2015	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	W to S	45° above horizon		Dark yellow	None	3 - 4 secs	None	Round	Size of baseball		Unknown	[redacted] b5
114	19 Sep	0900	2	[redacted] b5	Tucson, Arizona	N	App 4000'		Grayish white	None	2 mts	None		2 to 3 ft across	600 mph	Faded from view	[redacted] b5
115	27 Sep	0300	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	From SE	45° above horizon	Traveling tangent to earth	Bright blue to white	None	4 secs	None	Round	About size of softball at 300 yds.	45° in 4 secs.	Obscured by building	[redacted] b5
116	27 Sep	0300	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	To the N	10° above horizon		Yellow	Yes	3 - 4 secs	None	Round	Size of baseball at 25 yds.	Same rate as shooting star	Died out	[redacted] b5

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117	1949 27 Sep	0300	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	SE to NW	15° - 20° above horizon	Traveling in arc toward earth	Bright green	None	2 secs	None	Round	Same size as perimeter fence light at distance of about 200 yds.	45° in 2 secs.	Brightened then went out	[redacted] b5
118	27 Sep	0150	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	S to N	20° above horizon	Made a gentle arc toward earth	Dark blue	Yes	2 secs	None	Conicle w/tail twice its diameter	Looked like a sky rocket	50° in 2 secs.	Burnt out	[redacted] b5
119	27 Sep	0130	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico		45° above horizon	Moving tangent to earth	Green	None	1 sec	None	Round	Fist at arm's length	20° in 1 sec	Burnt out	[redacted] b5
120	30 Sep	2257	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	S to W	55° to horizon		Yellow orange	None	2 - 3 secs	None		Slightly larger than shooting star	200 - 300 mph		[redacted] b5
121	2 Oct	2110	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico		20,000 - 30,000'	Went up & then down	Bright green	Yes	3 secs						[redacted] b5
122	3 Oct	1715	1	[redacted] b5	Roswell, New Mexico		15½° above horizon	Descended in slight arc	Dark green	None	30 secs	None	Round	Big ball		Disappeared behind hills	[redacted] b5

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123	1949 6 Oct	1800 1845	1	[redacted] 65	Moscaloro, New Mexico		18° above horizon		Green	None	7 - 9 secs	None	Round	½ size of thumb at arm's length	Moving slowly	Disappeared behind a hill	[redacted] 65
124	6 Oct	1758	1	[redacted] 65	Alamogordo, New Mexico	E to W		Straight angular descent	Bluish white possibly lt. green tinge	None	4 secs	None	Circular	3 times the size of Jupiter or Venus	5° per sec.		[redacted] 65
125	6 Oct	1800	1	[redacted] 65	Alamogordo, New Mexico		4°2[illegible] to [illegible]°		Green	None	5 - 6 secs	None	Round	Size of baseball at arm's length			[redacted] 65
126	6 Oct	1750	1	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	E to W		Curved descent approaching vertical	Greenish white	None	1 sec	None	Similar to very flare	½ size of thumb at arm's length		Abrupt	[redacted] 65
127	6 Oct	1750	1	[redacted] 65	Magon[illegible] Mound, New Mexico	E to W		Horizontal	Greenish white	None	3 - 4 secs	None	Round	1½" - 2" in diameter	App. that of meteor	Went out like electric light	[redacted] 65
128	6 Oct	1753	1	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	NE to S[illegible]		At tail end of its course it arched over and fell	Brilliant green	None	10 secs	None	Tear drop			Seemed to burn out	[redacted] 65

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129	1949 7 Oct	2120	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico	Straight vertical drop	35° above horizon		Yellow to green	None	1 sec	None	Round	Half a moon	Dropped 15° in 1 sec	Behind Sandia Mountains	[redacted] 65
130	10 Oct	0406	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	SE to NE	3,000' above observation pt.	Parallel to surface of earth	Brilliant white	Yes	4 - 5 secs	None		Small	Appeared to be slower than a meteor	Disappeared	[redacted] 65
131	10 Oct	0107	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	W to E	45° above horizon		Bluish green	Yes	15 secs	None	Round	Size of fist at arm's length	Slow	Died out	[redacted] 65
132	10 Oct	0107	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	SW to NE	45° above horizon	Executed dives	Greenish blue w/red sparks trailing	Yes	4 secs	None	Round	Size of fist at arm's length	Slow	Faded out	[redacted] 65
133	10 Oct	0107	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	N to NE	45° above horizon		Green	None	15 secs	None	Round	Size of fist at arm's length	Slow	Burned out	[redacted] 65
134	11 Oct	2010	6	[redacted] b5	Roswell, New Mexico	Appeared moving to W & angling slightly to E		Maneuvered up & down	Light green turned orange	Yes	45 mts	None	Round	Size of baseball			[redacted] 65

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135	1949 11 Oct	1045 1100	2	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	NW to SE	If size of B-29 appeared to be 150,000'		White	None	10-15 secs	None	Round dish shape	2" in diameter at arm's length	Very fast compared w/falling star	Faded from view	[redacted] b5
136	12 Oct	1115	3	[redacted] b5	Roswell, New Mexico	S to NE	3,500'	Smooth arc	White (silver)	None	45-60 secs	None	Round probably elliptical		Faster than jet aircraft	Went beyond range of vision	[redacted] b5
137	12 Oct	1115	3	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	Appeared from S & veered off to NE	If size of B-29 appeared to be 35,000'	Smooth arc	White or aluminum	None	45-60 secs	None	Round ball	35,000' 4" in diameter	1,500 mph	Faded from view	[redacted] b5
38	12 Oct	1340	4	[redacted] b5	Tucson, Arizona	From NE to SW	30,000'	Horizontal	White or silver	None	15 secs	None	Round	50 - 100' in diameter	1,000 mph	Faded from view	[redacted] b5
139	14 Oct	1420	3	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	W to E	20,000'	Level flight just above horizon	Greenish blue-white trail	Yes	2 secs	None	Round	Appeared as a 12" disc		Burned out	[redacted] b5

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140	1949 14 Oct	2021	2	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico	W to S		Horizontal	Red orange	Yes	10 secs	None	Round	1/3 - 1/4 size of moon		Broke into 2 pieces & disappeared	[redacted] 65
141	14 Oct	1410 1415	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N			Front-green & silver Rear - Pale blue	Yes	3 - 4 secs	None		1/8 size of full moon	500 mph or more		[redacted] 65
142	21 Oct	2130	1	[redacted] b5	Roswell, New Mexico	SE to NW	30° above horizon		Very bright white	None	20-30 mts	None			Unknown		[redacted] 65
143	22 Oct	0228	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos New Mexico	NW to SE	On horizon		Bright green		2 secs	None		4 times size of a flare	150 mph	Disappeared behind a hill	[redacted] 65
144	22 Oct	0220	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Vertical	50 - 100 ft.		Green		1 sec	None	Like flare	Small		Went out	[redacted] 65
145	18 Nov	1950	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Disappeared to N			2 objects bluish green			None			Stationary but disappeared with speed of meteor	Disappeared from view	[redacted] 65
146	19 Nov	2152	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Vertical			Green then yellow		2 secs	None					[redacted] 65

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147	1949 19 Nov	2152	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Vertical			Green		2 secs	None					[redacted] 65
148	25 Nov	2000	6	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	E to W	15° - 10° above horizon	Downward 10° from the horizontal	Yellowish green		2 secs	None				Disappeared behind mt.	[redacted] 65
149	27 Nov	1800	1	[redacted] b5	McIntosh, New Mexico	Vertical	Less than 2,000'	Vertical descent	Green	None	1 sec	None	Shaped like a flare	Same as a signal flare	Same as falling signal flare	Same as signal flare	[redacted] 65
150	27 Nov	1730	1	[redacted] b5	Winslow, Arizona	E to W	30° above horizon		Bright blue-white	Yes	3 - 4 secs	None	Egg shape	Egg held at arm's length	3 - 4 secs to cover 15° - 20° of horizon	Dwindled out	[redacted] 65
151	27 Nov	1749	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico	E to W	3° - 5° above horizon	Gliding descent	Blue-white	None	1 - 2 secs	None	Round	Pencil eraser at arm's length	5° - 7° in 1 or 2 secs	Went out then on then out again	[redacted] 65
152	27 Nov	1749	1	[redacted] b5	Socorro, New Mexico	E to W	10° -40° above horizon	Arc	Pale green to pale blue	Yes	5 secs	None	Round	Quite large	Slower than meteor	Faded out gradually	[redacted] 65

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---	1949 3 Dec	1805	1	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	E to W		In an arc downward	Green fringe of orange light	None	2 secs	None	Circular	Somewhat larger than Venus		Disappeared behind building	[redacted] b5
154	4 Dec	1935	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico	E to W		Nearly horizontal	Green	None	2 - 3 secs	None	Round	Marble at arm's length		Went out like a candle	[redacted] b5
155	4 Dec	1935	2	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	E to NE		Sloping descent	Green		1/5 sec	Yes	Round			Disappeared behind mt.	[redacted] b5
157	5 Dec	1930 1945	3	[redacted] b5	Carrizozo, New Mexico		40° above horizon	In dive	Blue-green			None	Tear-drop		Very slow	Disappeared	[redacted] b5
	5 Dec	2240	1	[redacted] b5	Tularosa, New Mexico	E to W		Smooth arc downward	Blue w/yellowish red toward tail	Yes	1 sec	None	Streak of light	Appeared little longer than length of lead pencil at 6'		Appeared to hit ground near Tularosa, New Mexico	[redacted] b5
158	6 Dec	1330	1	[redacted] b5	[redacted] Farmington, New Mexico	Dropping vertically	500 ft.	Vertically down				None	Chartreuse parachute or cargo net			Disappeared	[redacted] b5

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159	1949 13 Dec	2005	3	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	Stationary then began to move downward slowly and to right	5,000'		White amber red green	None	9 mts	None	Circular	1 - 1½ times size of average st. light at a distance of 8 miles		Object took on brilliant green color, picked up speed and faded from view
160	1950 6 Jan	2230	7	[redacted] b5	Alamogordo, New Mexico	E to W		Up & down and horizontal	White changed to green & red	None	45 mts	None	Star like	Slightly larger than planet Venus	Moved app. 15° to 20° from E to W during 45 mins it was observed	Stopped observation
161	7 Jan	2215	2	[redacted] b5	Corona, New Mexico	From SW to SE		Descending	Yellowish white orange blue-r.	Yes	10 secs	None	Round ball shape	Same as cup 6" in diameter at arm's length	Compared w/fast jet fighter	Disappeared behind mt. range
162	8 Jan	2220	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico		80° - 40° above horizon	Horizontal	Incandescent green	Yes	2 secs	None	Oval with trail			Disappeared behind trees

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163	1950 5 Jan	2220	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Due W	60° above horizon	Straight course	Bluish white	Yes	2 secs	None	Point-ed	Appeared as a point	10° per second	luminosity stopped suddenly	[redacted] 65
164	9 Jan	2225	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico		75° - 80° above horizon	Straight line	Green-ish white	One	3 secs	None	Round	-4 to -5 compared to Jupiter	25° per second	Behind horizon	[redacted] 65
165	12 Jan	1900	3	[redacted] 65	Holloman, New Mexico	To W		Changed altitude erratic-ally	White changed to green & red	None	5 mts	None	Star like	About same size of Venus		Discontinued watching	[redacted] 65
166	13 Jan	0605	3	[redacted] 65	Holloman AFB, New	E to W		Erratic-ally up & down	White changed to green & red	None	Short time	None	Star like	About same size as Venus		Disappeared w/daylight	[redacted] 65
167	27 Jan	1715	1	[redacted] 65	Scullville, New Jersey	NW 1		Ascending at about 60° angle	White streak		30 mts				½ that of a firework rocket at close range	Faded gradually	[redacted] 65
168	7 Feb	1950 2015	2	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	SSE to E	40° - 45° above horizon	Horizontal	Reddish green	Yes	4 - 6 secs	None	Round elon-gated trail	Twice size of evening star	About same as falling star	Faded out in atmosphere	[redacted] 65

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169	1950 7 Feb	1945 2000	2	[redacted] b5	Between Tucumcari & Kirtland AFB, New Mexico			Flat Trajectory	Fire-ball white	Yes	2 - 4 secs	None			Over 1,000 mph	Faded out suddenly	[redacted] b5
170	15 Feb	1530	1	[redacted] b5	Sandia Base, New Mexico	From NW to W	45° downward above horizon		Appear-ed red & green	Yes	30	None	Round	That of a normal marble	Like shooting star trail	Faded out	[redacted] b5
171	18 Feb	0510	5	[redacted] b5	Holloman AFB, New Mexico			Climbed	White and orange	None	1 hr 44 mts	None	Round to conc shape	Size of coffee cup at arm's length		Stopped observation	[redacted] b5
172	20 Feb	0550	2	[redacted] b5	Holloman AFB, New Mexico	Station-ary	1,000' above 9,000' mt.	Stationary	White	None	5 mts	None	Round	App size of ½ dollar held at arm's length	Stationary	Disappeared from view behind cloud	[redacted] b5
173	24 Feb	1535	1	[redacted] b5	Albuquerque, New Mexico	To W or SW	20° to 23° above horizon	Straight flight	White	None	1½ mts	None	Round	Compared in size to upper dark portion of moon as it rises in E	1½ mts. to over 2?		[redacted] b6

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[redacted]	1950 [redacted] Feb	1400	1	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	E by SE	About 20° above horizon		Bright white	None	20-30 secs	None	Round	Compared w/size of weather balloon as it disappeared in distance	Very slow	Faded out of sight	[redacted] 65
[redacted]	[redacted] Feb	1930	1	[redacted] 65	Datil, New Mexico	NW			White changing to red & green	Yes	2 hrs 30 mts	None	Round		1° per 2 mts.	Disappeared	[redacted] 65
[redacted]	[redacted] Feb	1345	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	E then turned W	25,000-30,000'	Straight up	White, kept flashing like mirror in sun	One	20 mts	None			Very fast	Went straight up out of sight	[redacted] 65
[redacted]	[redacted] Feb	1340	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	E to W then W to E, then st. up	30,000'	Straight up	Silvery white	None	20 mts	None				Went straight up out of sight	[redacted] 65
[redacted]	[redacted] Feb	1715	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Erratic generally NE	20,000-30,000'		Silvery	None	15 mts	None	Saucer shaped	100' across if at 20,000-30,000'	As fast or faster than sound	Disappeared	[redacted] 65

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179	1950 24 Feb	Between 1315 1400	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Circled then E	Considerable altitude		Aluminum	Yes	2	None	Spherical	Rather large	Erratic	Unknown
180	25 Feb	1545 1555	12	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Heading toward ground	30° - 35° above horizon		Flashing silver	None	3 secs to 2 mts	None	Circular like plane fuselage	Small airplane	From very slow to very fast	
181	25 Feb	2115	1	[redacted] 65	Albuquerque, New Mexico	Toward S	App. 20° above horizon	Almost vertical	Bright [illegible] white	Yes	1½ secs	None	Tear-drop	3 times size of a shooting star	Slightly slower than falling star	Appeared to burn out [redacted] 65
182	25 Feb	0200	1	[redacted] 65	Datil, New Mexico	NE			White changing to red & green	Yes	30 mts	None	Round		1° per 2 mts	Disappeared behind mountain [redacted] 65
183	25 Feb	1410	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to E	1 to 3 miles at 30° above horizon		Metallic	None	2 mts	None	Oblong	10 - 15'	40 mph	Went below horizon [redacted] 65

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184	1950 25 Feb	1545	1	[redacted] b6	Los Alamos, New Mexico	W to SWS	Very high		White to silver	None	30 secs	None	Circular	About size of 50¢ piece at its height	Very fast	Disappeared into glare of sun	[redacted] 65
185	25 Feb	1550	1	[redacted] b6	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S or SW	12,000'		Metallic	None	Few secs	None		As large or larger than average plane	Fast	Faded from view	[redacted] 65
186	25 Feb	1545 1555	14	[redacted] b6	Los Alamos, New Mexico	NE to SW	Overhead at from 4 to 10 miles	Traveled w/a fluttering motion	Silver	None	Few secs to 2 mts	None	Round	Vary from [illegible] to small airplane	Very fast 500 - 1500 mph		[redacted] 65
187	25 Feb	1655	1	[redacted] b6	Los Alamos, New Mexico	E to W			Shiny silver		10-15 secs	None	Round	About size of 20-25 airplanes	Slow speed	Disappeared behind tree	[redacted] 65
188	10 Mar	1600 1630	6	[redacted] b6	Phoenix, Arizona	SE	40,000-50,000'	Moved upward at 60° angle	Aluminum or quick silver	Yes	10 mts	None	Oval or oblong	Size of [illegible]	Extremely high	Disappeared	[redacted] 65
189	5 Mar	1130 1300	4	[redacted] b6	Vaught, New Mexico	Traveled 195°		Straight flight	White	None	1 hr 25 mts	None	Round	Ping pong ball at arm's length	180 to 200 mph	Ceased observation	[redacted] 65

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	1950 11 Mar	0100	1	[redacted] b5	Holloman AFB, New	App 270°	About 30° above horizon at distance of 50 miles	Straight flight	Changed from light orange to blood red to amber to light green	None	5 mts	None	Ping pong ball	Ping pong ball held at arm's length		Disappeared from view	[redacted] b5
191	16 Mar	1100	10	[redacted] b5	Farmington, New Mexico	N to NE		Turned on their axis & maneuvered up & down	Bright luminous as tin foil	None	3 - 5 mts	None	Flat spheriodic	1 to 6"	Faster than conventional aircraft	Discontinued observation	[redacted] b5
?	16 Mar	1000	10	[redacted] b5	Farmington, New Mexico	NE	Over 20,000'	Skyward at at 60°-80°	Bright aluminum	None	30 mts	None	Oval & oblong	1/16" - ½" held at arm's length	Faster than conventional aircraft	Gradually disappeared	[redacted] b5
193	17 Mar	0310	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Toward earth		Toward earth	Reddish then green	None	1 sec	None				Appeared to fall to earth	[redacted] b5
194	17 Mar	0300	1	[redacted] b5	Los Alamos, New Mexico	NE		Level flight	Greenish yellow	None	3 secs	None	Round	¼ size of full moon	Moderate	Like light going out	[redacted] b5

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	1950 17 Mar	0307	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Straight down		Straight down	Orange & green	Yes	2-2½ secs	None			Tremendous	Explosion on impact with earth or disintegration	[redacted] 65
196	17 Mar	0445	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Formed an arc		Formed an arc	Green	None	5 secs	None	Round	Quite small	Free fall	Fell toward earth	[redacted] 65
197	17 Mar	0310	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico			Zoomed to climb, change color, assert zoom & disappear	Green turning to yellow	None	5 secs	None	Spherical	¼ size of moon	Moderate	Suddenly	[redacted] 65
	17 Mar	0307	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Earthward		Earthward		Yes	3 secs	None	Round	¼ size of full moon	Extremely fast	Plunged to earth & 2 explosions were noted prior to disappearance	[redacted] 65
199	20 Mar	0115	1	[redacted] 65	Clovis, New Mexico	From NW	Above 12,000'		White w/light blue	Yes	1 - 2 secs	None	Spherical		2,000 mph	Disappeared from view	[redacted] 65

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200	1950 21 Mar	1320	1	[redacted] 65	Sandia Base, New Mexico	E to SW	App 45° above horizon		2 objects silver	None	10 mts	None	Round	App size of dime at arm's length	Excessive to jet flight	Gradually faded from view	[redacted] 65
201	21 Mar	1300	1	[redacted] 65	Sandia Base, New Mexico	NE to SE	40,000-60,000'		Varied from shiny silver to shady gray	None	30 mts	None	Round	Size of end of thumb at arm's length	About same as jet aircraft	Disappeared	[redacted] 65
202	21 Mar	1315	1	[redacted] 65	Sandia Base, New Mexico	E	75° above horizon		White	None	5 mts	None	Round	Smaller than fist at arm's length	App. 600 - 700 mph	Disappeared from range of vision	[redacted] 65
203	21 Mar	1300 1330	4	[redacted] 65	Kirtland AFB, New	SE to S	40° - 50° above horizon	Zig-zag motion up & down	Bright silver	None	1 mt	None	Round	Size of dime at arm's length	About same as fast jet aircraft	Disappeared from range of vision	[redacted] 65
204	22 Mar	1100	11	[redacted] 65	Kirtland AFB, New Mexico	W changing to N	25,000 to 30,000'	Horizontal	Tan to brown	None	5 - 6 secs	None	Flying wing	About size of golf ball held at arm's length	Extremely high speed	Disappeared	[redacted] 65

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Number	Date	Time	Number of Observers	*Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal or Vertical	Color	Train or Trail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance	*Evaluation
205	1950 22 Mar	0010	3	[redacted] 65	Sandia Base, New Mexico	SE to NW		Line parallel w/line tangent to the earth	Blue center with orange exterior	None	1½ - 3 secs	None	Round like ball from roman candle		1½ secs 30° azimuth	Burned out	[redacted] 65
206	1 Apr	0420	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico	S to N	75° above horizon		White light	None	1 sec or less	None	Round			Disappeared behind building	[redacted] 65
207	17 Apr	1830	10	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico		2,000' above horizon	Maneuvered up & down & from side to side	Light green bright as tin foil	None	20-30 secs	None		1/16" at arm's length		Gradually moved out of sight	[redacted] 65
	[redacted]	1830	1	[redacted] 65	Los Alamos, New Mexico			Maneuvered up & down	Bright metallic	None	15-30 secs	None	Roughly circular	Est. 5' in diameter	Faster than conventional aircraft	Loss sight of object	[redacted] 65
208	1 May	1510	2	[redacted] 65	Kirtland AFB, New	SW to NE	Apparently a few thousand feet	Was sailing downward	Silver lucid metallic object	None	Not quite a sec	None	Cylindrical		Tremendous	Flash of brilliant white light	[redacted] 65

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Number	Date	Time	Number of Observers	*Reliability of Observers	General Area of Occurrence	Apparent Direction of Flight	Apparent Altitude	Course Horizontal to Vertical	Color	Train or Trail	Duration of Observation	Sound	Shape	Apparent Size	Apparent Speed	Manner of Disappearance	**Evaluation
105	1949 12 Aug	0446	1	[redacted] 65	Killeen Base, Texas	SE to NW	30° above horizon headed down	Headed down	Reddish	Yes	2 - 3 secs	Yes	Trail of flame	Fairly long streak of flame		Faded away	[redacted] 65
106	14 Aug	2135	1	[redacted] 65	Alamogordo, New Mexico		Appeared 25° Disappeared at 12°	10 - 15° off vertical	Reddish orange	Yes	2 secs	None	Round	Larger than Venus		Disappeared	[redacted] 65
107	20 Aug	2130	2	[redacted] 65	Douglas, Arizona	N to S	8,000' - 10,000'	Flat trajectory		None	6 - 10 secs	None	Round to oblong like inverted saucer	About size of single engine airplane	3500 to 4500 mph	Disappeared in distance	[redacted] 65
108	21 Aug	2115 2150	5	[redacted] 65	Nogales, Arizona		45° at low level 90° at high level	Horizontal to earth's surface	Dull orange	None	10 secs	None	Wafer	App size of volley ball	10 times speed of jet planes	Disappeared in space	[redacted] 65
109	23 Aug	1345	1	[redacted] 65	Davis-Monthan AFB, Arizona	SE to NW	App. 50,000	Horizontal at 50,000'	Brownish hazy color	None	60 secs		Similar to triangle with round edges	Est. to be app ¼ of inch when observed at 3 ft.	Terrific rate of speed	Faded from view	[redacted] 65

to move horizontally. However, a strictly vertical infall is also very rarely observed in the case of genuine meteor falls.

3. An analysis just completed of the time distribution of the green fireballs so far observed permits us to add an 11th item to the list of differences given in paragraph 1 above. The graph of frequency versus local time which accompanies the present report shows that the maximum frequency of sighting of green fireballs (occurring at approximately 2030) coincides in time with neither the frequency maximum for ordinary meteors (occurring at approximately 0300) nor the frequency maximum for meteorite falls (occurring at approximately 1600).

4. Inspection of the graph referred to in paragraph 3 also will show that most of the green fireballs have been sighted in a time interval extending from about 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. (MST). This concentration might be even more pronounced if it were possible to screen out of the secondary maximum, around 2 a.m. (MST), all ordinary meteors which have been mistakenly identified as green fireballs. That such misidentification has occurred is strongly suggested by the near coincidence in time of the secondary maximum of the green fireballs and the well established early morning maximum of the ordinary meteors.

5. Some significance may attach to the fact that the time interval alluded to in paragraph 4 extends from about 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Ural region of the USSR. Since missiles moving with velocities of the order of those found for the green fireballs for which real path determinations have been possible would travel from the southern Urals to New Mexico in less than 15 minutes, a possible interpretation of the concentration of sightings referred to in paragraph 4 is that the green fireballs result from guided missiles launched from bases in the Urals in the morning hours before cloudiness due to convection or blinding afternoon dust storms can interfere with non-radar tracking, such as has been used by the Optical Trajectory Section at White Sands Proving Ground.

6. There is also a pronounced concentration of green fireball incidents on the four days, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, almost all of the most widely observed incidents having occurred on Saturday or Sunday.

7. It is a curious and fairly well-established fact that there has been a distinct decline in the number of green fireball sightings during the last two months, within which the number of so-called "flying saucer" incidents in this region has attained an all-time high.

8. Although I have recently received from Dr. Joseph Kaplan of the Scientific Advisory Board a letter containing the statement "Frankly, I don't know of any U. S. experiments that would result in the appearance of these unconventional objects, and neither does Von Karman". I still

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To: Lt. Colonel [illegible]
Subj: Anomalous Luminous Phenomena (Green Fireballs) May 25, 1950

consider the most probable explanation of the green fireballs to be the one given in the first of the three paragraphs below which are quoted from my letter of 1710, February 20, to Dr. H. L. Goodall, Chief Atmospheric Physics Laboratory, Sandia Directorate for Geophysical Research. The last two paragraphs quoted below will summarize my recommendations concerning the green fireball problem:

"As a preliminary to setting down the project recommendations which you requested, I have very carefully reviewed all available fireball data (observers' reports, transit measurements, calculated real paths, etc.) covering incidents from those of December 5, 1948 to the extraordinary incident of February 7, 1950, which has been under intensive investigation for the last two weeks. As a result of this comprehensive review, particularly as it relates to the incident of February 7, 1950, I feel compelled to write you in somewhat different terms concerning my own part in the proposed fireball project than I had in mind when we last discussed this matter. In brief, I have come to the conclusion that, on the basis of the evidence now available to me, I would not be justified in recommending a fireball project. In my opinion, this evidence proves conclusively that the fireballs reported fall into one of two categories: Those of the first category (the majority) are meteoritic falls of unusual, but certainly not of impossible, magnitude, frequency and other characteristics; those of the second category (the minority) are U. S. guided missiles undergoing tests in the neighborhoods of the sensitive installations they are designed to defend. This interpretation of the latter category is the one that I proposed in answer to a question raised by Dr. Teller at the first Los Alamos conference on February 17, 1950. It was not taken seriously then and I doubt that it will be taken seriously at the present time. However, even if my interpretation of the unconventional fireballs is the correct one, it is obvious that those in position to confirm it should refuse to do so."

"Only one other point need be stressed, namely, that if I am wrong in interpreting the guided missiles as of U. S. origin, then certainly intensive, systematic investigation of these objects should not be delayed until the termination of the present academic year. Recent international developments compel one to sense the imperative necessity of immediate investigation of the unconventional green fireballs, in case you are in possession of information proving that they are not U. S. missiles."

"If such an immediate investigation were to be undertaken, I would recommend that Dr. Fred L. Whipple, of Harvard College Observatory, be placed in charge of the photographic phase of the investigation; that Dr. Peter M. Millman, of the Dominion Observatory, be placed in charge of the spectrographic phase of the investigation;

that Dr. L. A. Hemming, of Stanford, and Dr. Millman be placed in charge of the radar investigation; and, finally, that Dr. William Crozier, of the New Mexico School of Mines, be placed in charge of dust collection and identification. On the basis of many intensive field surveys, I do not anticipate that ground search will lead to any recoveries, but in case such ground search is to be attempted, it should be carried out on the scale stressed in my conversations with you and Major Oder last month."

9. Although the above paragraphs were written some months ago, the recommendations contained in them are the ones I would urge you to consider at the present time. In conclusion, I should like to repeat the offer made at the end of my letter of February 20 to Dr. Wyckoff, namely to serve, if needed, as consultant on the green fireball project as suggested in Major Oder's letter to me under date of November 29, 1949, with the stipulation, however, that my service be on a voluntary basis rather than on the $40 per day contract specified in Major Oder's letter.

Lincoln LaPaz, Director
Institute of Meteoritics
University of New Mexico

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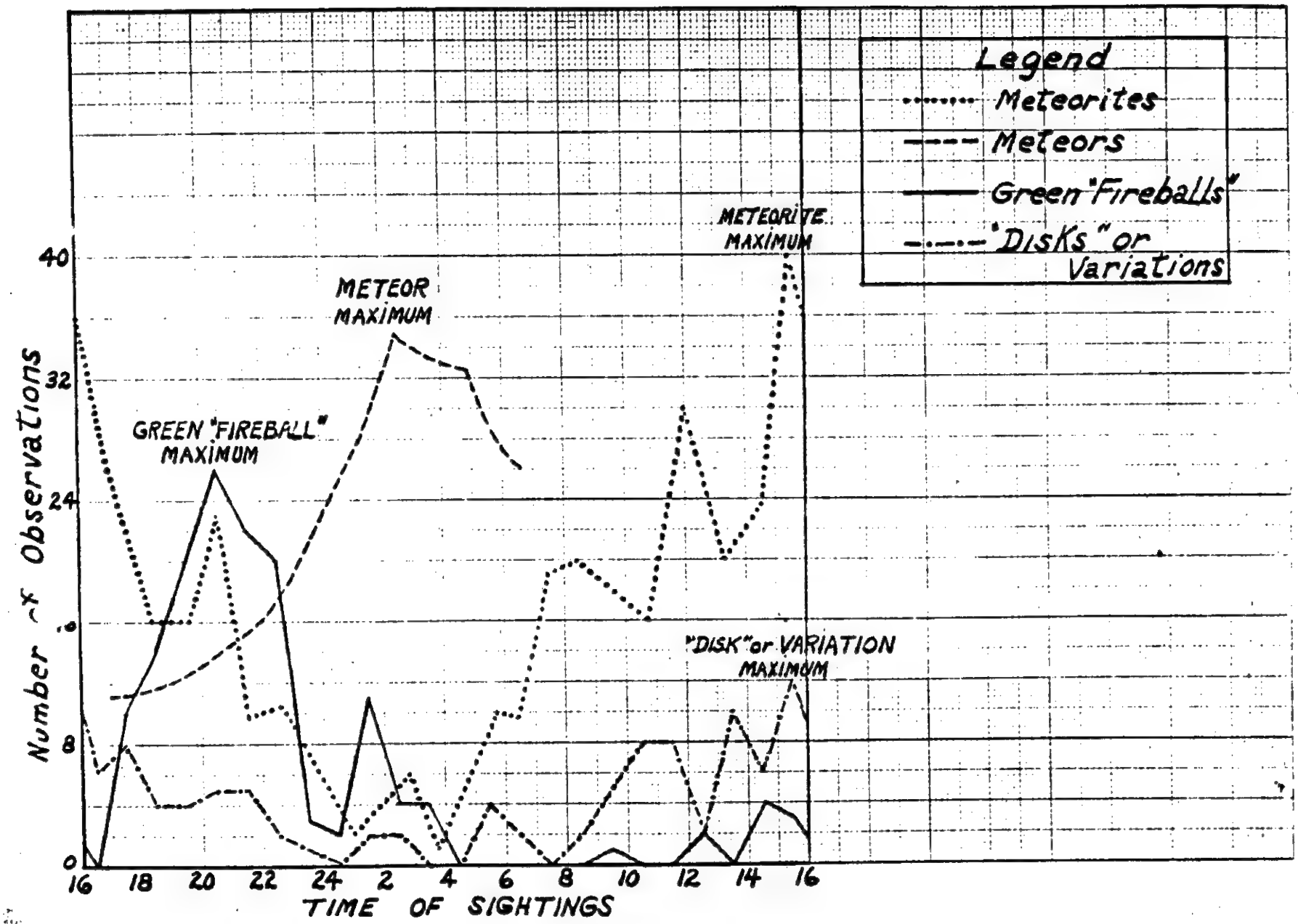

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DIRECTOR, FBI URGENT

RADAR DETECTION OF UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS OVER OAK RIDGE OCTOBER TWELVE, NINETEEN FIFTY, PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS. USAF RADAR INSTALLATION AT KNOXVILLE AT ELEVEN TWENTYFIVE PM, EST, OCTOBER TWELVE, PICKED UP INDICATIONS OF ELEVEN OBJECTS AND PERHAPS MORE TRAVELING ACROSS CONTROLLED AREA OF ATOMIC ENERGY INSTALLATION AT OAK RIDGE. ALTITUDE OF OBJECTS VARIED FROM ONE THOUSAND TO FIVE THOUSAND FEET, COURSES FROM SOUTH SOUTH EAST TO SOUTHEAST, AND DENSITY FROM READING MADE BY LIGHT AIRCRAFT TO AIRCRAFT EQUAL IN SIZE TO C FORTY SEVEN, SPEED FROM ONE HUNDRED TO ONE HUNDRED TWENTYFIVE MILES PER HOUR. FIGHTER PLANS ATTEMPTED TO INTERCEPT IN FEW MINUTES AND RADAR SCREEN REFLECTED CONTACT, BUT PLANE REPORTED NO OBJECT COULD BE SEEN EITHER VISUALLY OR ON PLANES RADAR SCREEN. AEC PATROL WAS ALERTED BUT NO OBJECTS COULD BE VISUALLY SIGHTED BY THEM OVER THE AREA OTHER THAN THE AIR FORCE INTERCEPTOR. OSI AND EASTERN AIR DEFENSE FORCES HAVE BEEN ADVISED AND ARE CHECKING INCIDENT. NO REASONABLE EXPLANATION FOR RADAR READINGS YET DEVELOPED ALTHOUGH OPERATORS ARE EXPERIENCED RELIABLE PERSONNEL AND RADAR SET IS IN PERFECT OPERATING CONDITION. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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RADAR DETECTION OF UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS OVER OAK RIDGE, October 12, 13, 16, 1950
PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS
Flying Saucers

Remytel October 13, 1950.

There is being submitted herewith a copy of two reports made by District Representative of the OSI, 8th District, U. S. Air Force, with regard to the detection of unidentified objects by the means of radar, as set forth in referenced teletype. These reports continue to set forth additional reports concerning unidentified objects in the air space area over Oak Ridge, Tennessee, which to date have not been explained.

No investigation is being conducted by the Knoxville Office in this matter, but any further information received from OSI or from CIC representatives will be forwarded immediately.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

OCTOBER 13, 1950 URGENT

Transmit the following message to:

SAC, LOS ANGELES

FLYING SAUCERS. YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO DISCREETLY DETERMINE THROUGH APPROPRIATE RELIABLE SOURCES OF YOUR OFFICE WHETHER [redacted] AUTHOR OF THE BOOK QUOTE [redacted] UNQUOTE IS IDENTICAL TO THE [redacted] WHO HAS BEEN ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES SINCE THE LATE NINETEEN THIRTIES IN THE TERRITORY OF YOUR OFFICE.

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My theory of the flying saucers is:

It gets its power from electricity generated by a gen generator. The generator is run from a revolving disc, therefore giving the flying saucers a disc like appearance.

By the use of gear the revolving disc is able to generate 10 or 20 times more power than is needed.

The faster the disc goes, the more power. By use of the new light weight electric motors, there is less weight, and less space taken.

The revolving disc is inside of a light shell. Forward motion of ship allows disc to revolve, generating electric power.

This way, the flying disc could fly almost any length of time.

Compressed air could be used to start power disc.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: October 2, 1950

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA ATTENTION: MR. [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING DISC REPORTED AT PHILADELPHIA ON 9/26/50

FLYING SAUCERS

During the late evening hours of September 26, 1950, two Philadelphia police officers observed a peculiar phenomenon on Vare Boulevard near 26th Street when they saw a round object about six feet in circumference slowly float down to the ground.

The object had the appearance of a parachute and landed in a field, it being so light it did not even depress the weeds in the field. The object was lavender in color, described by the officers as dewy, sort of like soap suds, and evaporating within fifteen or twenty minutes after it landed. When touched by the officers, the substance composing the object disappeared, leaving nothing but a slight sticky substance.

This matter was reported to this office by the Philadelphia Police and for that matter, was subsequently carried in the Philadelphia press as "Flying Saucer Just Dissolves".

Mr. [redacted] of the Bureau was telephonically advised of the above by this office and issued instructions that the matter should be referred to Air Force Intelligence for handling and any investigation. Accordingly, Major [redacted] of the Philadelphia Office of OSI was telephonically advised of the above and no further action was taken by this office.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: October 9, 1950

FROM : MR. D. M. LADD

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS
FLYING DISCS
GREEN FIREBALLS

PURPOSE

To advise you of the most recent information known to the Bureau concerning the captioned aerial phenomena.

BACKGROUND

You will recall that on August 23, 1950, I furnished to you a memorandum regarding Project Twinkle set up by the Department of the Air Force, with the assistance of Land-Air, Inc., at Vaughn, New Mexico, for the purpose of obtaining data regarding these unusual aerial phenomena which had been seen in the vicinity of sensitive installations in New Mexico. To date the Air Force has not advised us of any new developments in connection with this project.

[redacted] has been contacted by the Albuquerque Office and arrangements have been made in order that the Bureau will be advised in the event any information relative to these phenomena indicates any jurisdiction on the part of the Bureau.

According to Bureau files, an average of approximately three or four complaints have been received per month from June through September. These complaints were brought to the attention of OSI. A review of Bureau files does not indicate that there has been any increase in the sightings of these phenomena during or as a result of the war in Korea.

JURISDICTION FOR INVESTIGATION OF THESE PHENOMENA

You will recall the investigation to obtain information concerning these aerial phenomena is the jurisdiction of the Department of the Air Force. The Department of the Air Force is aware of our jurisdiction in matters relating to espionage, sabotage and internal security, and we have contacted OSI and requested them to advise us of any developments in connection with these phenomena which would be of interest to us as a result of our jurisdiction.

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POSSIBLE ORIGIN OF THESE AERIAL PHENOMENA

The Bureau has been advised in the past by OSI that many of the sightings reported to them were determined by investigation to have been of weather balloons, falling stars, meteorological phenomena and other air-borne objects.

INFORMATION OBTAINED BY BUREAU LIAISON FROM OSI, WASHINGTON, D. C. RE THE CAPTIONED MATTERS ON OCTOBER 9, 1950.

Bureau liaison determined on the morning of October 9, 1950 from OSI headquarters that the investigations of these aerial phenomena are being handled by OSI, Wright Field, Ohio. Their investigation of these phenomena fails to indicate that the sightings involved space ships or missiles from any other planet or country.

According to OSI, the complaints received by them have failed to indicate any definite pattern of activity. OSI further advised they are closely following the investigation of the captioned matters, and they will advise this Bureau of any matters of interest.

ACTION

None. The above is for your information.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FOR
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Flying Discs

Dear Mr. Hoover:

The inclosed letter, subject: "Reporting of Information on Unconventional Aircraft," is forwarded for your information and any cooperation you may be able to extend.

As indicated in the letter it is desired to place this subject in its proper perspective as part of the normal USAF requirement for information of air technical intelligence interest.

Respectfully yours,

C. P. Cabell

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C. P. CABELL
Major General, USAF
Director of Intelligence

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This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18 U.S.C., Sections 793 and 794. Its transmission or the revelation of its contents in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law."

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

AFOIC-CC-1 8 September 1950

SUBJECT: Reporting of Information on Unconventional Aircraft

TO: Commanding Generals, Major Air Commands, ZI and Overseas

All United States Air Attaches

1. The United States Air Force has a continuing requirement for the reporting and technical analysis of observations of unconventional aircraft which might indicate an advance in technological progress of a foreign power. An unconventional aircraft, within the meaning of this directive, is defined as any aircraft or airborne object which by performance, aerodynamic characteristics, or unusual features, does not conform to any presently known aircraft type.

2. It is desired that information on unconventional aircraft be reported in the following manner:

a. A separate report of each incident will be forwarded. No information other than that bearing on the unconventional aircraft will be included in this report.

b. Priority of transmission accorded the report will be that appropriate in the judgment of the forwarding agency, according to its apparent authenticity and importance as intelligence.

c. Reports will be forwarded to Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Attention: MCIS.

d. Reports forwarded by electrical transmission will include, as far as possible:

(1) A brief description of the object(s); its shape, size, color, number, formation if more than one, aerodynamic features, trail or exhaust, propulsion system, speed, sound, maneuvers, manner of disappearance, and other pertinent or unusual features.

(2) Time sighted in 24-hour clock zonal time, and length of time observed.

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(3) Manner of observation; visual or electronic, from air (give speed, altitude, and type of aircraft), or surface. Any type of optical or electronic equipment used should be described.

(4) Location of observer during sighting, giving exact latitude and longitude as closely as feasible, and/or reference to a known landmark. Location of object(s) with respect to observer, giving distance, direction, and altitude.

(5) Identifying information on observer(s) and witnesses, estimate of reliability and experience, and any factors bearing on estimated reliability of the sighting.

(6) Weather and wind conditions (teletype sequences) at time and place of sightings.

(7) Any activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.

(8) Existence of any physical evidence; fragments, photographs and the like, of the sighting.

(9) Interception or identification action taken. (Such action should be taken whenever feasible, complying with existing air defense directives.)

e. Reports forwarded by electrical transmission will be followed up within ten (10) days by a written report on AF Form 112. This report will contain the same information specified in subparagraph 2d above in greater detail, and where feasible will include sketches and signed attested narrative statements of observers.

f. Written reports of sightings, where no previous electrically transmitted report has been submitted, will follow the same form as the written follow-up report described in subparagraph 2e above.

g. Any physical evidence of the sighting will be forwarded by most expeditious means to Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Attn: MCIS, under cover of a letter identifying the shipment with the report of sighting. Mention of the method and time of shipping of this evidence will be included in written report of the sighting.

3. It is desired that no publicity be given this reporting or analysis activity.

BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

C P Cabell

C. P. CABELL
Major General, USAF
Director of Intelligence

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: September 27, 1950

FROM : MR. [redacted]

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

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B. I. R.-1

SAC Cornelius of Philadelphia called at 10:45 A.M. today and stated that yesterday evening while two officers of the Philadelphia Police Department were cruising in their scout car they saw through the windshield an object descending slowly to the earth which appeared at first glance to be a parachute.

When the officers first noticed the object, it was at tree-top level and was described as being six feet in diameter. It landed in a field near-by and the officers, upon examining it, noted that it gave out a purplish glow which was almost a mist. The officers summoned two other police officers. After looking at the object for some time they attempted to pick it up. The object broke, leaving a slight odorless residue. Over a period of about 25 minutes which the officers spent watching the object it completely disintegrated. The officers further commented that the object was so light that when it hit the field, it did not even bend the weeds or the grass it fell on.

Mr. Cornelius said that he has called the local office of the Air Force but the individual with whom he spoke there said he knew nothing about them and was not aware that his office was looking into reports of this type.

Mr. Cornelius desired to know what further action should be taken by him.

I told Mr. Cornelius that he was correct in referring this matter to the local office of OSI and that he should direct a letter to the Bureau incorporating all available information concerning the matter and that we here, upon its receipt, in turn would bring it to the attention of OSI Headquarters.

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To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS

There is attached hereto for your consideration and attention a copy of a self-explanatory letter dated August 29, 1950, received by this Bureau from [redacted] of [redacted] Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

For your information, the letter from [redacted] has been acknowledged by this Bureau, and he has been informed his communication has been referred to your Department.

Attachment.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. Ladd

FROM : A. H. Belmont

DATE: August 23, 1950

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF AERIAL PHENOMENA IN NEW MEXICO MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

PURPOSE

To advise that: (1) OSI has expressed concern in [redacted] connection with the continued appearance of unexplained phenomena described as green fireballs, discs and meteors in the vicinity of sensitive installations in New Mexico. (2) [redacted], [redacted] of the University of New Mexico, reported that the phenomen does not appear to be of meteoric origin. (3) OSI has contracted with [redacted], Alamogordo, New Mexico, to make scientific study of the unexplained phenomena.

NATURE OF PHENOMENA

Observations of aerial phenomena occurring within the vicinity of sensitive installations have been recorded by the Air Force since December, 1948. The phenomena have been classified into 3 general types which are identified as follows:

1. Green fireballs, objects moving at high speed in shapes resembling half moons, circles and discs emitting green light.

2. Discs, round flat shaped objects or phenomena moving at fast velocity and emitting a brilliant white light or reflected light.

3. Meteors, aerial phenomena resembling meteoric material moving at high velocity and varying in color.

The above phenomena have been reported to vary in color from brilliant white to amber, red and green.

Since 1948, approximately 150 observations of aerial phenomena referred to above have been recorded in the vicinity of installations in New Mexico. A number of observations have been reported by different reliable individuals at approximately the same time.

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RESULTS OF AN INQUIRY BY [redacted]

[redacted] University of New Mexico, submitted an analysis of the various observations on May 23, 1950. He concluded, as a result of his investigation, that approximately half of the phenomena recorded were of meteoric origin. The other phenomena commonly referred to as green fireballs or discs he believed to be U.S. guided missiles being tested in the neighborhood of the installations. [redacted] pointed out that if he were wrong in interpreting the phenomena as originating with U.S. guided missiles that a systematic investigation of the observations should be made immediately. [redacted] pointed out that missiles moving with the velocities of the order of those found for the green fireballs and discs could travel from the Ural region of the USSR to New Mexico in less than 15 minutes. He suggested that the observations might be of guided missiles launched from bases in the Urals.

On the basis of the investigations made by [redacted] and the Air Force, it was concluded that the occurrence of the unexplained phenomena in the vicinity of sensitive installations was a cause for concern. The Air Force entered into a contract with [redacted], Alamogordo, New Mexico, for the purpose of making scientific studies of the green fireballs and discs. It was pointed out in the summary furnished by OSI on July 19, 1950, that the unexplained green fireballs and discs are still observed in the vicinity of sensitive military and Government installations.

RESULTS OF AIR FORCE INVESTIGATION

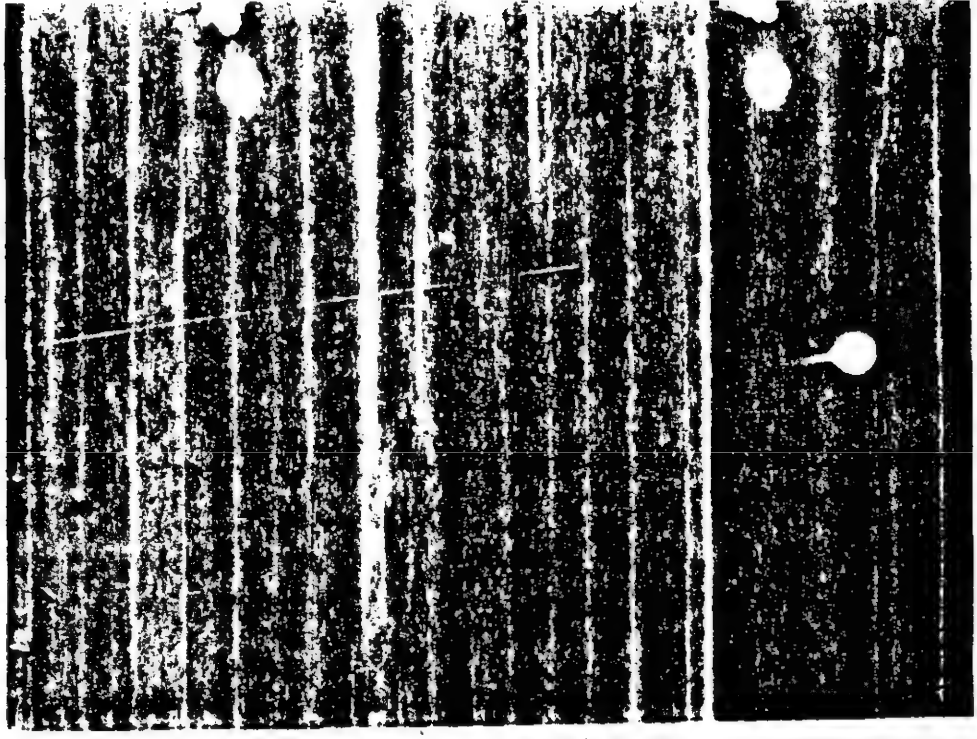
The Air Force together with [redacted] have established a number of observation posts in the vicinity of Vaughn, New Mexico, for the purpose of photographing and determining the speed, height and nature of the unusual phenomena referred to as green fireballs and discs. On May 24, 1950, personnel of [redacted] sighted 8 to 10 objects of aerial phenomena. A 24-hour day watch is being maintained and has been designated "Project Twinkle."

CONCLUSIONS

The Albuquerque Office, in a letter dated August 10, 1950, advised that there have been no new developments in connection with the efforts to ascertain the identity of the strange aerial phenomena referred to as green fireballs and discs. The Albuquerque Office advised that Dr. [redacted] Project Engineer, had been informed of the Bureau's jurisdiction relative to espionage and sabotage and arrangements have been made so that the Bureau will be promptly advised in the event additional information relative to this project indicates any jurisdiction on the part of the Bureau.

ACTION

None. The above is for your information.



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Photograph of Unknown Aerial Phenomena taken at Datil, New Mexico by Cpl Lertis L. Stanfield, Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico on 24 and 25 Feb 1950. An analysis of the above photograph was made by Dr. Lincoln LaPaz, Head of the Institute of Meteoritics, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico, who reached the following conclusions:

a. The angular diameter of the perfectly round luminous object Stanfield observed was approximately 1/4 of a degree.

b. The angular velocity of the object in the sky was greater than half a degree per minute.

Dr. LaPaz stated that on the basis of the results (a) and (b) above, the object seen by Stanfield was not the moon (for the angular diameter is too small), it was not Venus or any other planet (for the angular diameter was too large), and it was not a bright fixed star slightly out of focus (for the observed rate of motion is double that due to the diurnal rotation of the earth).

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXI
ALBUQUERQUE

INSTITUTE OF METEORITICS

May 23, 1950

To: Lt. Colonel Doyle Rees, Commanding Officer
17th District, O. S. I.

From: Lincoln LaPaz, Director
Institute of Meteoritics

Subject: Anomalous Luminous Phenomena (Seventh Report)

1. In the second report of this series, dated 1948, December 20, the writer listed ten significant differences between the bright green horizontally-moving fireballs observed in the interval 1948, December 5-20, and typical meteors. These differences were the following:

(1) The horizontal nature of the paths of most of the December fireballs is most unusual. Genuine meteors are rarely observed to move in horizontal paths.

(2) Again the very low height of the December fireball discussed in section 2 above sets it off in sharp contrast from the genuine meteors for which heights of the order of 40 or more miles are normally observed.

(3) The velocity determined for the fireball of December 12 is much less than the velocities determined from typical meteors (and yet is considerably greater than the speeds of the V-2 Rockets or jet planes or of conventional flares).

(4) In the case of meteorites that penetrate to as low levels as that determined for the fireball of December 12, the observed luminous phenomena are always accompanied by very violent noises. No noises whatever have been observed in connection with the various December fireballs so far investigated. (Note added on 1950, May 23: Possible exceptions to the noiselessness of green fireballs are the incidents of 1949, January 30, and 1949, December 4.)

(5) Genuine meteors normally show remarkable variations in brightness, beginning as fine thin hair lines, which are scarcely visible to the observer, and then brightening up to flash out near the end of their paths. In the case of the December fireballs most of the observers have reported that the green balls appeared almost instantly at their full brightness.

(6) In the case of genuine meteors the paths are directed toward all points of the compass with equal frequency. On the contrary in the case of the green fireballs, plots of admissible approach sectors show that there is a very pronounced tendency for the paths to come in from the north half of the sky.

(7) The three groups of anomalous greenish luminous phenomena show a curious association with well known meteor showers, although none of these meteor showers normally produce extremely bright green fireballs, such as these recently observed. For example, the observation mentioned by Mr. Tonnig appeared near the maximum of the Quadrantid shower of early January, Mr. McCullough's observation of August was near the time of the Perseid shower and the December observations all fell in the interval covered by the Geminid shower. This relationship might indicate an attempt to render the green fireballs less conspicuous by causing them to appear only when there is considerable meteoric activity.

(8) As noted in an earlier communication, the remarkably vivid green color reported for most of the December fireballs is rarely observed in the case of genuine meteors. By laboratory test this peculiar color seems to be identical with that given off by copper salts in the blowpipe flame. If this identification is correct, the wave length of the radiation from the green fireballs is near λ =5218Å.

(9) The duration estimates of between 2 and 3 seconds reported for the green fireballs are considerably longer than those (0.3 - 0.5 seconds) for the ordinary visual meteors, but shorter than the duration estimates invariably reported in the case of a genuine meteorite fall (5 to 30 seconds or even longer).

(10) For none of the green fireballs has a train of sparks or a dust cloud been reported. This contrasts sharply with the behavior noted in case of meteoric fireballs--particularly those that penetrate to the very low levels where the green fireball of December 12 was observed.

2. In the year and a half since this list was prepared, many additional observations have been made, the total number of objects now accepted as belonging in the green fireball category being 72. (Although this number constitutes nearly 50% of the incidents listed in the accompanying Summary, it constitutes less than 5% of the total number of unsorted observations reported to the writer.) Critical analysis of all green fireball reports now available shows that only one of the statements in the list given in paragraph 1 needs to be modified, namely, item (1). Within the last year, a considerable number of the green fireballs have appeared to fall vertically downward rather than

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[redacted]
Chicago 80, Illinois

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Dear Mr. [redacted]

I sincerely appreciate the interest which prompted your letter of June 21, 1954; however, I am not in a position, as a matter of policy, to comment regarding the book you mentioned since it does not deal with a matter within the jurisdiction of the FBI.

It is suggested that you consider the advisability of communicating with The Honorable, The Secretary of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C., for whatever information he can give you along the lines of your inquiries.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: Correspondent desired information concerning the book "Flying Saucers Have Landed" by Desmond Leslie and George Adamski.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

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Gentlemen:

A book was published in 1953 by

Desmond Leslie and George Adamski

"Flying Saucers Have Landed"

Publishers - The British Book Centre,
New York City.

Is this book fact or fiction, are these "flying Saucers" from other planets landing on this earth? Was the story told by George Adamski about his contact with the men from Venus any foundation in fact?

Please answer, many thanks,

[redacted]
Chicago 30, Illinois.

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EX-112

SAC, Cincinnati

June 22, 1954

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Director, FBI (62-83894)

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Reurlet 6/8/54.

You are instructed to recontact [redacted], referred to in your referenced letter and advise him this Bureau has no jurisdiction concerning the investigation of matters relating to flying discs and that the United States Air Force has such jurisdiction. You are instructed to advise him this Bureau cannot approve or disapprove of his activities in connection with this matter and that the placing of this Bureau on notice as to his activities will not exonerate him in the event he engages in any fraudulent or criminal activities.

You are instructed to furnish the information set forth in your referenced letter to OSI locally and to the Bureau in a memorandum suitable for dissemination to OSI headquarters.

NOTE: [redacted] Cincinnati, Ohio, advised the Cincinnati office he is interested in flying discs and has recently met several persons who claimed to have had experiences with flying discs. He stated he intended to assist such persons in arranging for public meeting in Cincinnati, at which matters relating to flying discs will be discussed and that he expects the meeting will result in a "four thousand dollar take." He advised he believed the experiences alleged by the persons referred to above and that those persons would participate in the meeting. He stated he had been advised by the Air Force that it was it's opinion claims made by the persons referred to above concerning flying discs and their experiences with same were fraudulent. He stated he wanted to put all federal agencies on notice in order that they could act to prevent the planned meeting re flying discs if it was deemed necessary by the Government.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 6-8-54

FROM : SAC, Cincinnati (100-C)

SUBJECT: [redacted]
FLYING DISCS
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 6-7-54, [redacted] Cincinnati 23, Ohio, and Mr. [redacted] Cincinnati 12, Ohio, called at this office. Mr. [redacted] advised he is the operator of a beauty salon in the [redacted], Cincinnati, and Mr. [redacted] advised he is President of the [redacted] in Cincinnati. Mr. [redacted] did all the talking for the two men and he furnished the following information:

On 6-3-54 an ad appeared in the "Cincinnati Enquirer," a newspaper of general circulation, Cincinnati, Ohio, to the effect that on 6-11-54 a program would be presented at Taft Auditorium, Cincinnati, Ohio, on "The Real Flying Saucer Story." The advertisement which Mr. [redacted] exhibited disclosed no sponsor for this program and it was only noted on the ad that tickets for the program sold for $2.00 per person and would be on sale at the Central Ticket Office in Cincinnati.

Mr. [redacted] advised that although he belongs to no organization interested in flying saucers, he has been interested in this subject and has been interested to the extent that he desired to know the sponsorship of the program. He stated that he found out from the Central Ticket Office that the ad had been placed by [redacted] Ferndale 20, Michigan. He advised that he telephonically contacted [redacted] on 6-3-54 and [redacted] stated that he was only the agent for renting the hall and that he was acting on behalf of [redacted] and [redacted] He stated that on 6-4-54 [redacted] called him back and told him that there had been a disagreement between [redacted] and [redacted] over [redacted] arrangements for the sale of tickets for the program and the renting of the hall.

[redacted] advised that at this time [redacted] said nothing to discredit either [redacted] or [redacted] and indicated that their disagreement only concerned his placing the ad in the newspaper prior to having the tickets for the program available in Cincinnati.

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[redacted] continued that ten minutes after he had talked to [redacted] on Friday, 6-4-54, he received a call from [redacted] and a Mr. [redacted] who confirmed to him that [redacted] was no longer associated with them, and who asked that [redacted] meet with them at a luncheon at the Terrace Plaza Hotel on 6-7-54.

Mr. [redacted], in explanation of his interest in this matter, advised that he had read such books as "Flying Saucers From Outer Space," written by DONALD E. KEHOE, retired major, U. S. Marine Corps, which book was published by Harper's Publishers, and a book entitled "Flying Saucers Have Landed," by GEORGE ADAMSKI, which book is published by Werner-Lowery Company in England, and is distributed by the British Book Center in New York City. He said that he has also heard broadcasts by persons he considers reputable news commentators, such as WALTER WINCHELL, FULTON LEWIS, JR., and FRANK EDWARDS, to the effect that reliable persons have reported observing flying discs or saucers. He said contrary to these reports, the U. S. Air Force has denied the existence of the flying saucer and he felt that persons such as [redacted] and [redacted] in presenting a program such as that contemplated, were either truthful or they were frauds. He stated that if they had a true story to tell, then he felt it was of such nature that it should be given as wide a distribution as possible, so that the people might learn the true facts regarding flying discs. He said, however, if their story was not true, then the holding of such a meeting as was contemplated would be a fraud on the general public. He estimated that such a meeting in Cincinnati might draw two thousand people, which, at $2.00 apiece, would result in a $4,000.00 take for the promoters.

To identify [redacted] had with him two copies of the magazine "Valor," which he stated he got from [redacted], this magazine being self-identified as the "Golden Times Weekly," published by Soul Craft Chapels, Post Office Box 192, Noblesville, Indiana. The two issues which Mr. [redacted] had with him were numbers 15 and 16 of volume 6 of the publication, the number 15 being dated 2-6-54 and number 16 being dated 2-13-54. The number 15 issue contained an article concerning [redacted] in which he is identified as a truck driver from Redondo Beach, California, and it refers to an article dated 12-31-53, which appeared in the "Daily Breeze," a newspaper at Redondo Beach, California, which allegedly contained a description of an encounter

which [redacted] had with a crew of assumed space explorers under the supervision of a ravishing woman commandant in the Nevada desert. The article also reflects that [redacted] allegedly was aboard flying saucers on eleven occasions. At the bottom of the first page of issue number 15 there appeared in what Mr. [redacted] stated was the handwriting of [redacted] the statement "This is a true story, a factual experience -- [redacted]

The above mentioned article in "Valor" also reflected that [redacted] 55 years of age and that his residence address is [redacted], Redondo Beach, California.

Mr. [redacted] also had with him a letter addressed to [redacted] from [redacted] of the Saucers Research Foundation, which letter reflected that that organization was holding a three-day convention June 4, 5 and 6, 1954 at the Carthay Circle Theatre in Los Angeles, California, and that it had invited [redacted] to this convention to say a few words concerning his experience. [redacted] was identified in this letter as business manager of [redacted] Hollywood [redacted], California.

Mr. [redacted] reiterated that he felt [redacted]'s story, if true, should be given wide publicity, but that if the story was false, then he should be prosecuted for fraud. He stated that he first took his information to the Air Force in the person of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] of Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, whom [redacted] visited personally at [redacted] home in Fairborn, Ohio, on Sunday, 6-6-54. [redacted] indicated that he asked Colonel [redacted] if there were such things as flying saucers and if [redacted] story could be true, and he said [redacted] denied that there was such a thing as a flying saucer and indicated to him that DONALD E. KEHOE, the author of "Flying Saucers in Outer Space" was a fraud and that information is available in Washington that KEHOE is a fraud. He said he was advised, however, by [redacted] that the Air Force could take no action with respect to [redacted]

[redacted] continued that it was his intention to aid in the promotion of a meeting for [redacted] in Cincinnati. He advised that the original meeting scheduled for June 11 had been cancelled, and that he felt this meeting had such important information for the people as a whole that he was going to make every effort to make the meeting one of national

significance. He said he intended to invite to the meeting all nationally prominent news commentators. He intended to try to get radio time to advertise the meeting but he did not wish to participate in this matter in any way if it would violate security regulations in any manner, or if [redacted] and his associates were in any way fraudulent. He stated that he so informed [redacted] at the luncheon meeting which was held at the Terrace Plaza Hotel on 6-7-54. They informed him that they were not afraid of an investigation; that [redacted] story was factual, and that they had no objection to [redacted] advising Government authorities regarding it.

Mr. [redacted] stated that his report to this office was part of his plan to inform all the Federal agencies he thought should know about the activities of [redacted] He advised that in line with his contemplated plans that on the evening of 6-7-54 there was to be another meeting at the home of [redacted] Cincinnati 27, Ohio, at which meeting there would be Mr. [redacted], [redacted] He said at this meeting they would plan a method of operation and make arrangements for this meeting of national significance. He said he intended to set the date of the meeting far enough in advance so that if any Governmental agency determined that there was fraud involved that agency would have sufficient time to act prior to the holding of the meeting. He advised he intended to keep a detailed record of all actions taken by this group, and that he would voluntarily furnish such information to the FBI.

[redacted] advised that he had not known and had not met either [redacted] prior to the events described above. He said that [redacted] identified himself as an archeologist and a writer for the magazine "Valor," who resides in Noblesville, Indiana.

He said that [redacted], whose first name he did not know, is also connected with "Valor" magazine in some way.

He was asked as to what interest "Valor" magazine has in [redacted], and whether [redacted] was sponsored by any other organization. He advised that he did not know the interest of "Valor" magazine in [redacted] and so far as he knew, [redacted] was acting on his own and had no organizational affiliations or sponsorship. He was asked as to what disposition would be made of receipts from a large meeting and he advised that he did not know what disposition would be made of the money. He said he understood that

[redacted] had been on tour for some time and that the meeting scheduled for Cincinnati originally on 6-11-54 was to be the beginning of a new series of meetings.

The files of this office contain no information which can be identified with [redacted]

The indices reflect that by letter dated 2-7-52, Indianapolis file 61-5, the Indianapolis Office advised the Cincinnati Office under the caption of [redacted], was at that time operating under the name of [redacted] with headquarters and printing facilities in Noblesville, Indiana.

With regard to [redacted] the indices of this office reflect that as of July, 1942, he was general manager of the [redacted] a mechanical packing firm at [redacted], Cincinnati.

No further action is being taken in this matter by this office, and the foregoing is for the Bureau's information and for the information of the Los Angeles and Indianapolis Offices.

DIRECTOR, FBI

6/18/54

SAC, SEATTLE

REPORTS ON ALLEGED SIGHTING OF SUBMARINES,
PARACHUTE LANDINGS, FLASHING LIGHTS, ETC.
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It has been the experience of this office that during this season, from now until winter, there is received a considerable number of alleged reports on sighting of submarines, flashing lights, parachute landings, flying saucers, etc. In every instance when such reports are received, the information is immediately disseminated to DIO, 13 ND, U. S. Navy; OSI, USAF; and G-3, U. S. Army.

Inasmuch as Seattle is the District Headquarters for the Intelligence Agencies in the Pacific Northwest, reports received, usually from the USCG, concerning incidents in the state of Oregon are immediately reported to that office as well as the Intelligence Agencies.

Many of the reports are of a nebulous type, impossible of corroborating, and of doubtful authenticity. Some, by preliminary inquiry and evaluation, prove to be without foundation. However, as stated above, reports of this type are immediately disseminated to the Intelligence Agencies without evaluation, followed by additional information as obtained.

This office has no control of the dissemination of these reports on a "spot" basis by the local intelligence offices to their Headquarters in Washington, D. C. The Bureau will recall the widespread dissemination given by the military agencies of "Radio Message March 13, 1953, Interpreted as Calling for Mobilization of Communist Party" (SAC Letter #23, dated 3/31/53).

The purpose of this letter is to advise the Bureau that in all instances immediate dissemination is made of all unusual incidents that appear to have any military significance. This office also acts as a co-ordinator on all reports to be certain that all interested agencies are cognizant.

The Bureau may be assured that it will be kept advised of all significant incidents as they arise but will not be bothered with every trivial incident that occurs unless instructed.

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DIRECTOR, FBI
RE: REPORTS ON ALLEGED SIGHTING OF SUBMARINES, PARACHUTE LANDINGS, FLASHING LIGHTS, ETC.
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SAC, SEATTLE
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OSI advises us that they have no interest whatsoever themselves in connection with these matters and that Operations of the Air Force doesn't even advise them. Colonel [redacted], District Commander, OSI, states that there is an evaluation at Wright-Patterson Field where the data is correlated, that the reports are handled from the Air Force here to that point in a routine fashion and that OSI gives no credence whatsoever to it because they have never had any previous experience of any kind as to anything arising out of the situation.

There is attached hereto a copy of a communication marked "CONFIDENTIAL" requesting data concerning the situation as well as several recent publications, some of which are issued by the Air Force itself. It is the opinion of Colonel [redacted] that the releases are a poor thing and create mass hysteria, but he says he has nothing whatsoever to do with the situation.

April 27, 1954

[redacted]

Milton, Kentucky

Dear [redacted]

Thank you very much for your letter of April 21, 1954.

Although I would like to be of assistance, it is not possible for me to express an opinion regarding the subject you mentioned since it does not relate to a matter within the jurisdiction of the FBI.

You may desire, however, to communicate with The Honorable, The Secretary of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C., for whatever information he can give you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: First name salutation is being used since the correspondent indicates she is a seventh grade student. She requested the Director's opinion regarding Flying Saucers.

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April-21-1954
Milton, Ky.

Federal Bureau
of Investigation
Washington
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Dear Sir,

The seventh grade of Milton
Are studying about Flying Saucers.
and I would like to have your
opinion on them.

Sincerely Yours,

/S/ [redacted]
Milton, Ky.

Address on envelope
[redacted].

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Milton, Ky.

Flying Saucers -

Federal Bureau
of Investigation
Washington
D. C.

Dear Sir,

The seventh grade of Milton
are studying about Flying Saucers.
And it would like to have your
opinion on them.

Sincerely Yours
[redacted]
Milton, Ky.

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Date: May 19, 1954

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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There is attached a copy of a memorandum dated April 12, 1954, captioned "[redacted]" which contains information furnished to the Newark office of this Bureau by [redacted] and his wife, [redacted] both of [redacted] East Orange, New Jersey. There is also attached a translation from the German language of the parts of the two letters furnished by [redacted] and his wife to the Newark office.

The files of this Bureau fail to reflect that any investigation has been conducted by this Bureau of [redacted] In view of the information set forth in the attached memorandum dated April 12, 1954, and the translation of the parts of the letters referred to herein, no investigation is contemplated by this Bureau in this matter.

Attachment

cc - 1 - Records Administration Branch (Attachment)
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(by O-6 form on same date)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 4/12/54

FROM : SAC, Newark (62-0)

SUBJECT: INFORMATION REGARDING NEW PRINCIPLES OF AERO-DYNAMICS
ALOIS PIVEC - INFORMANT

Enclosed herewith are photostats of parts of two letters furnished by [redacted] and his wife, [redacted], both of [redacted] East Orange, NJ.

Both photostats are in German and concern the development of a new principle in aero-dynamics and alleged attempts by the Communists in Austria to obtain this information.

There is also enclosed a blind memo, setting forth the summary of the information in the letters and the circumstances under which they were obtained.

This information is being furnished to the Bureau for whatever action is deemed appropriate.

The indices of the Newark Office are negative regarding [redacted]

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TRANSLATION FROM GERMAN

Item #1

12-21-53

[redacted]
New Jersey, U. S. A.

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your brother will probably have communicated with you about me as we became acquainted with each other at a construction job. I told him a few things about inventions or utilization. Dear Mr. [redacted] be not angry with me because I am now turning to you. I hesitated such a long time as my wife does not wish to go abroad. Enclosed I am sending you 2 inventions, that is, ideas and I leave it to your own power of judgment whether one or both, or none of these inventions is suitable. If one seems to be profitable to you, you should apply for a patent in your own name as the best possible way and enter for me and for yourself 45% each of the net profit and 10% for your brother. I am giving you entirely a free hand, as you will undoubtedly try to attain the greatest possible profit.

And now, dear Mr. [redacted] I am taking the liberty of telling you something about an invention which the entire world wants to have. (I am only writing the most important facts.) Before the war I intended to make a toy, something which flies, and purely accidentally I discovered a hitherto unknown aerodynamic law. I experimented further. I improved and informed several comrades. They were enthused and emigrated to South America. There they tried it on their own responsibility. People were killed and they failed to perfect the incomplete invention. They approached me again. As they were only artisans, these flying machines were, of course, built primitively. The first experiments to fly with a motorcycle motor attained the result of 250-300 km. Not bad for the years 1938-39! With a powerful motor they then flew 2600-2800 km. (hour kilometers).

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After the war they came to me again and told me about their misfortune, that about 60% of all flights had been fatal. To make it very clear, they wanted to find out how I construct my flying apparatuses, because with a device, which endangers lives, they could not, of course, appear before the public, and, therefore, all this is still, so to speak, a private secret. In America, this flying machine is called "flying saucer," and since among my former comrades a quarrel broke out and they distrust each other and none of them has the intelligence, which this invention demands, they have not progressed over there.

I imagine that they have stubbornly adhered to some construction, that is, become involved in it that they cannot advance. It has taken me years to reach the point where I can already say with respect to the construction plan that now the machine is safe for flying. Thereby I am losing, however, some speed, but, in return for it, safety is secured and this is the main thing. This machine is so very simple in its construction that, if one gives me an engineer and experts, I can build this apparatus in 5 to 6 weeks at the most (but only experimentally for a crew of 1 to 3 men). Then this machine attains, with an automobile motor of 80 to 120 h.p. about 700 to 1,000 km. If a firm would exist, which does not shun the costs, I can, because of the simple construction of the machine, build the first machine immediately in such a manner that it exceeds the 2000 km. limit per hour.

Because of the new aerodynamic law it is possible without any difficulty (everything without propellers) to reach such speeds. Now the idea has come to me to build some kind of popular flying machine which is cheaper than an automobile. One does not need any starting or landing strip and one would have a travelling speed of about 500 to 700 km. per hour. I believe that America would be the most favorable place in the world for it. You will now understand that I am very anxious to establish contact with a firm which is greatly interested in this invention. But as I have no knowledge of English, it is for me, from the very beginning, an affair which will come to nothing. If you, dear Mr. [redacted] can start the matter, you will not have done it in vain. I am not niggardly and besides I want to go to the U. S. A. to realize there a still larger project for which I need co-workers. The circular flying machines shall bring me the money for my further future plans, for I believe popular flying machines, according to my model and besides 100% safe from crash, will be a gigantic business. I do not know the magnates over there; perhaps HENRY FORD or an airplane factory, possibly a helicopter plant would be interested in it.

But I shall announce the names of my comrades only after I have received a contract pertaining to license or gratuities and after my arrival in the U. S. However, it must be added that I shall not lay out the money for the passage if some firm accepts me for the construction of the flying machines. But in addition to all that I need someone who lives over there and who knows the English language, and now I am asking you, my dear Mr. [redacted], whether you can function as my manager as they say in the U. S. A. Well, you know that the manager receives payment, and I believe that you will enjoy working with me later on inventions when I am over there. Incidentally I mention that I took a course as a chemist.(The "Do" - apparatuses, later called fog - or rocket-missiles, originated with me and also many other things.) I hope that you can decipher my hieroglyphic script. Such small writing is not in my line. So that you may see that I am not exaggerating, I declare upon oath that the invention, known by the name of "flying saucer," is my own, that I know the men who are building these machines in South America, and that I can construct the above-described machine myself and attain at least 2000 km.

/s/ [redacted]

I hope that you will be interested in it. I am awaiting your communication very hopefully.

With friendly greetings,

Respectfully,

/s/ [redacted]

Item #2

1-21-54

[redacted]
Klagenfurt - West

Dear Mr. [redacted]

I have received your letter of 1-12, on 1-19. Many thanks for your efforts. With joy I have taken cognizance of the fact that you have already contacted American authorities concerning my invention. However, I have no great hopes, because I know that with the U. S. everything is defective, exactly as with the English. - Example: Already a long time ago I wrote 2 or 3 letters to the U. S. authorities at Salzburg and I was in Salzburg myself during the past year, but everything was in vain. - At the most, in response to my letters, some Russian agent comes; that is all. When I wrote in Switzerland at first to President TRUMAN and then to President EISENHOWER through an official bureau, also everything was of no avail. In the end, always Russian agents come. In May 1953, a big dirty pig arrived who wanted to make me believe that he would take me in an automobile to the emigration office for Austrians in Switzerland. He enraged me to such an extent that I hit him in the face with my fist. But he had also helpers and I am not sure how it ended. I awoke, lying on the ground, and all had disappeared. Several days ago a man approached me at my working place who only pointed a finger upon me, saying: "You!" When I looked at him; he quickly ran away. I could not recognize him, but seemingly he knew me. - But the English are even more stupid. I wrote to the local city commandant's office about my invention (just like to you) but no reply came. When at one time I accidentally listened to "Radio Canada," I learned about my statements. Those people said that one had finally succeeded (possibly Scotland Yard) to obtain exact data on the German flying saucers and that one would, therefore, establish a research station in Canada with English experts, etc. I wondered whether the entire world had gone crazy. I offer my invention for sale, and those people make such a noise about it! They will never perfect the machine without my data. Well, I let you know that I am somewhat in the bad books here; strictly speaking since 1937, because of our eagle, also called misfortune. Our coat of arms, the bird

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of Austria, has in its claws hammer and sickle, and when I announced in 193(?)7 in public that the communist symbols also appear on our money, the gendarmery arrested me and told me that I was crazy. Since I repeatedly declared that a "red dog" sits in the government in complete secrecy, everything has failed. But that since then an information has always been based upon the word crazy, I do not believe, although I know that the communists have always guarded me very strictly. Furthermore, I accidentally (relatives) discovered the fundamentals of Russian atom physics (a law of nature, unknown to America) and, therefore, since 1933 all my attempts to get into the U. S. A. have been frustrated in every respect. I cannot journey to that country. Since I (relatives) also exactly know the most secret Russian communications methods (apparatuses) and the system, they are doing their utmost to prevent me from establishing contact with the U. S. A. I hardly believe that it will be possible by normal means. I shall not place myself into an airplane again! The Americans do not know how many Russian agents are with them. After I had written to the Pentagon about my invention, a rejection arrived. From Salzburg I have never received a reply. Seemingly, the English have lost my address and when I reported to the local FSS that I can construct the Russian apparatuses, I received...*)

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*) Examiner's comment: This communication is incomplete.

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On January 12, 1954, [redacted] East Orange, NJ, appeared at the Newark Office and advised that he had received a letter from one [redacted] West Austria, on about December 20, 1953.

[redacted] stated that the letter requested him to attempt to sell a number of inventions, which he, [redacted] had developed. [redacted] stated that the request was to contact Aircraft Companies and Sewing Machine Companies in the United States and attempt to interest them in these devices.

According to [redacted] requested that no governmental agencies be contacted. [redacted] stated that the inventions, which [redacted] had developed were new type of sewing machine and a flying saucer. [redacted] stated that he came to this office because he felt that the flying saucer was of some importance in the national defense of this country. [redacted] stated that he has never met [redacted] but that [redacted] was given his name by [redacted] brother, [redacted] who resides in Graz, Austria, and who is employed at [redacted], Graz, Austria. [redacted] stated that his brother worked with [redacted] at one time, and he believes that [redacted] is a chemist or some type of engineer. [redacted] stated that the contents of the letter seemed fantastic to him and that if the letter were not written in such an intelligent manner, he would have doubted [redacted] sanity. He stated that [redacted] claims to have sold a new principle of aero-dynamics, which made it possible to construct a practical flying saucer and that [redacted] had developed a model that flies without the usual hazards. According to [redacted] the letter continues by stating that [redacted] has been in contact with other men throughout the world, who have been attempting to develop the saucer and that he has been the first to win real success.

By way of background, [redacted] stated that he was born in the vicinity of Leoben, Austria in 1925 and arrived in New York City on March 29, 1952 from Bremerhaven, Germany. He is employed at the [redacted] in Maplewood, NJ.

On January 30, 1954, [redacted] East Orange, NJ, appeared at the Newark Office and advised that she was the wife of [redacted]. She stated that another letter had been received from [redacted] by her husband, [redacted]. She stated that her husband did not want to furnish the information in this letter to the FBI. She stated that he was not aware that she was furnishing this information and wished to keep the interview confidential.

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[redacted] stated that the letter received recently by her husband, from [redacted], contained information that [redacted] had been contacted by Communists in Austria, who wished to take him to Switzerland in order that he might further develop his new principle of aero-dynamics. According to the letter, [redacted] has continued to refuse any offer by the Communists and wished [redacted] to increase his efforts to sell [redacted] new invention in the United States.

By way of background, [redacted] advised that she was born of German parents in South Russia and at the time of the German invasion of Russia, during World War II, she and her family were resettled in Germany. After the war, she married [redacted] and came to the United States with him.

July 24, 1953

Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Mackinac Island, Michigan

Dear [redacted]

RECORDED

Your letter of June 30, 1953, was brought to my attention upon my return to the city, and I want to thank you for making this information available to me.

I wish to advise that the situation which you discuss in your letter does not pertain to any matter within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI. Obviously, therefore, no representative of this Bureau conducted the interview with Mr. [redacted] which you describe relative to "flying saucers."

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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cc - Cincinnati
Bearlet July 15, 1953.

NOTE: Mr. [redacted] letter of June 30, 1953, stated that a farmer named [redacted] of Circleville, Ohio, had reportedly seen a flying saucer and had been subsequently interviewed on the matter by representative of the FBI. Mr. [redacted] desired to know if this were true.

Bulet of July 9, 1953, to him was an "in-absence" reply, containing a note for SAC, Cincinnati to determine the basis of the rumor. Cincinnati letter of July 15, 1953, indicates that [redacted] was interviewed on July 14, 1953; at that time Stevenson indicated that he had been interviewed on the subject by one [redacted] of Columbus, Ohio, who made the statement that he (Grant) had once been "checked" by the FBI. Cincinnati files reflect no prior interview with the former, who is [redacted], Circleville, Ohio.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: July 15, 1953

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (105-0)

SUBJECT: MR. [redacted]
Mackinac Island, Michigan
RESEARCH - CRIME RECORDS

ReBulet dated 7-9-53.

[redacted], Circleville, Pickaway County, Ohio, advised he is cognizant of a "flying saucer" report made by Mr. [redacted], Circleville, Ohio. According to [redacted] Mr. [redacted] reported that a saucer-shaped object had landed on his farm some time ago, and this report eventually reached local newspapers. In June, 1953, an individual discussed the matter with Mr. [redacted] advised that this person did not, to his knowledge, represent himself to be an FBI Agent. The [redacted] further declared that he has known [redacted] all his life and that he is a prosperous, well-respected local farmer, who is considered trustworthy.

Mr. [redacted], [redacted] was interviewed 7-14-53 at which time he stated that shortly after he received some publicity regarding his report of sighting a saucer-shaped object, he was visited by one [redacted], who gave his address as [redacted] Tri-Village Station, Columbus, Ohio. According to Mr. [redacted] told him he was a salesman of television antennas, and that for over six years he had been pursuing the hobby of investigating "flying saucer" reports. He emphasized that he had no official connection with any part of the Government, but stated that he had once been "checked" by the FBI. Mr. [redacted] declared that [redacted] showed him pictures of "flying saucers" and told him he was writing a book on the subject, which would be published soon.

A search of the Cincinnati indices revealed no information identifiable with either [redacted]

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DATE: July 10, 1953

TO: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

FROM: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS

The following information was furnished to the Atlanta Field Office of this Bureau at 3:45 A.M., on July 8, 1953, by Mr. [redacted], reporter. Mr. [redacted] stated Mr. [redacted] Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia, telephone number [redacted], contacted him at the office of the [redacted] and advised as follows:

According to [redacted], he and two other companions, while travelling in an automobile on Bankhead Highway in the vicinity of Mableton, Georgia, encountered three small animals which they believed had landed from a flying saucer. Waters advised as he and his companion approached, the three animals started making their way back to what was believed to be a flying saucer. According to Waters, two of the animals escaped in the flying saucer but the third was killed when hit by the automobile in which Waters and his companions were riding.

According to [redacted], Waters displayed the animal which had been killed to him at the "[redacted]" newspaper office. [redacted] stated the animal did not resemble anything he had ever seen before but it looked as though it belonged to the monkey family. According to [redacted], the animal was approximately 21 inches long, had a rather pointed head, large ears and pinkish skin. [redacted] stated because of the early morning hour he was unable to locate a scientist to examine the animal, but he did have one of the leading veterinarians of Atlanta, Georgia, examine it.

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[redacted] advised the veterinarian would not commit himself but the veterinarian pointed out he had never seen an animal in the monkey family without hair nor had he ever seen a dead animal that did not turn pale at death. According to [redacted] the veterinarian stated the animal's tail was missing and that when he had questioned Waters about the missing tail [redacted] had seemed somewhat surprised and indicated it had possibly been cut off in the accident. [redacted] stated there was blood around the mouth of the animal, which resembled human blood.

At the time [redacted] furnished the above information to the Atlanta Office of this Bureau, he stated neither he nor any member of the [redacted] newspaper staff had been drinking but had witnessed the above. [redacted] stated he first thought [redacted] had tried to pull a publicity gag in this matter; however, it was [redacted] opinion if this had been [redacted] motive, [redacted] would have timed his visit to the newspaper office better as the newspaper was unable to print anything on the story after midnight. [redacted] informed the Atlanta Office of this Bureau that [redacted] would probably run a story concerning the information set forth above.

It is noted your office was telephonically contacted on the morning of July 9, 1953, by a Liaison representative of this Bureau concerning the above matter. The above is furnished for your information and no investigation is being conducted in this matter by this Bureau.

The Little Man Who Wasn't

Edward Watters and two friends said they saw a flying saucer on U. S. Highway 78 near Atlanta, Ga., and several small creatures running toward it. They ran over one but the others entered the saucer and flew off in a blaze of light. Mr. Watters exhibits the "man from Mars" but an anatomy professor called it a skinned monkey.

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Washington Daily News 7/9/53

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(SAUCER)
ATLANTA--TWO BARBERS AND A BUTCHER PRODUCED A 21-INCH LONG "CREATURE TODAY TO BACK UP THEIR TALE THAT THEY HAD SEEN A FLYING SAUCER AND THREE ELUSIVE LITTLE MEN AFTER CONSUMING ONE BEER APIECE.

AN ANATOMY PROFESSOR SAID, HOWEVER, THAT THE CORPSE THE EARTH MEN SUSPECTED WAS FROM OUTER SPACE APPEARED TO BE A MONKEY.

THE MEN WERE CONVINCED IT WAS FROM OUT OF THIS WORLD. THEY SAID THEY RAN INTO IT WITH THEIR AUTOMOBILE WHILE DRIVING ON A HIGHWAY NEAR HERE LAST NIGHT.

"RIGHT THERE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE HIGHWAY WAS THIS THING, GLOWING RED ALL OVER," SAID EDWARD WATTERS, 28-YEAR-OLD BARBER. IT LOOKED LIKE A FLYING SAUCER PICTURE HE HAD SEEN IN A SCIENCE MAGAZINE. HE SAID.

"THREE LITTLE MEN WERE RUNNING FOR IT," WATTERS CONTINUED. "THEY ALL JUMPED. TWO OF THEM MADE IT. I HIT THE OTHER ONE."

WATTERS SAID THE MACHINE SOON ROSE INTO THE AIR AND ZOOMED AWAY. HE SAID IT WAS NOT MORE THAN WAIST HIGH AND ABOUT HALF AS WIDE AS THE ROAD.

WATTERS' COMPANIONS, ARNOLD PAYNE, A BUTCHER, AND THOMAS WILSON, A BARBER, TOLD THE SAME STORY. WATTERS SAID THE INCIDENT OCCURRED ABOUT MIDNIGHT AFTER THEY HAD CONSUMED ONE BEER APIECE.

DR. W. A. MICKLE, ANATOMY PROFESSOR AT EMROY UNIVERSITY, EXAMINED THE ANIMAL, WHICH HAD BECOME A VICTIM OF AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT. MICKLE SAID IT LOOKED LIKE A MEMBER OF THE RHESUS MONKEY FAMILY, ALTHOUGH IT HAD NO HAIR.

"IF IT'S A CREATURE FROM OUTER SPACE, THEY HAVEN'T INVENTED ANYTHING NEWS," HE SAID.

WATTERS DECIDED TO FREEZE THE THING WITH DRY ICE AND PUT IT ON DISPLAY.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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FBI ATLANTA 7-8-53 11-0-2 AM JB

DIRECTOR, FBI U R G E N T

FLYING SAUCERS, MR. [redacted] - [redacted], COMPLAINANT. THREE FORTYFIVE AM THIS DATE [redacted] TELEPHONICALLY FURI FOLLOWING -FANTASTIC TALE - ASSURING THAT NEITHER HE NOR ANY MEMBER OF [redacted] STAFF HAD BEEN DRINKING BUT HAD WITNESSED THIS STORY. [redacted] STATED [redacted] RD, NE, [redacted] CALLED ON HIM AT NEWSPAPER OFI STATING HE ANDTWO OTHER COMPANIONS WHILE TRAVELING IN CAR ON BANK-HEAD HIGHWAY ABOUT MABLETON, GA. ENCOUNTERED THREE SMALL ANIMALS WH THEY BELIEVED HAD LANDED FROM SOME PLACE IN FLYING SAUCER. [redacted] INFORMED [redacted] THAT AS THEY APPROACHED THE THREE OBJECTS SSTARTING MAKING THEIR WAY BACK TO WHAT HE BELIEVED A FLYING SAUCER, THAT TWO OF THE ANIMALS ESCAPED IN SAUCER BUT THIRD WAS KILLED WHEN HIT BY TI AUTOMOBILE. [redacted] DISPLAYED OBJECT OR ANIMAL TO [redacted] AT NEWSPAPEI OFFICE. [redacted] STATED ANIMAL DID NOT RESEMBLE ANYTHING HE HAD EVER SEEN BEFORE BUT LOOKED AS IF IT BELONGED TO MONKEY FAMILY. ANIMAL MEASURED AND FOUND TO BE APPROXIMATELY TWENTYONE INCHES LONG, HAD RATHER POINTED HEAD, LARGE EARS AND SKIN WAS PINKISH. DUE TO EARLY MORNING HOUR [redacted] UNABLE TO LOCATE SCIENTIST TO EXAMINE ANIMAL BUT DID HAVE ONE OF LEADING VETERINARIANS THIS CITY EXAMINE

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[redacted] STATES VETERINARIAN WOULD NOT COMMIT HIMSELF BUT VET POINTED OUT HAD NEVER SEEN ANIMAL IN MONKEY FAMILY WITHOUT HAIR AS THIS ONE NOR HAD EVER NOTED A DEAD ANIMAL THAT DID NOT TURN PALE AT DEATH. VETERINARIAN STATED ANIMAL HAD HAD A TAIL BUT SAME WAS MISSING AND W QUESTIONING [redacted] ABOUT SAME [redacted] SEEMED SOMEWHAT SURPRISED BUT S IT WAS POSSIBLY CUT OFF IN ACCIDENT. [redacted] ADVISED THERE WAS BLOOD AROUND MOUTH OF ANIMAL CAUSED BY ACCIDENT WHICH RESEMBLED HUMAN BLOO [redacted] FIRST THOUVHT [redacted] POSSIBLY TRYING TO PULL PUBLICITY GAG DUE TO RECENT NEWSPAPER STORIES BUT BELIEVED HAD THIS BEEN HIS MOTIVE [redacted] WOULD HAVE TIMED HIS VISIT BETTER AS THEY WERE ABLE TO PRINT ANYTHIN AFTER MIDNIGHT. [redacted] STATED NEWSPAPER WOULD POSSIBLY RUN STORY ON ABOVE FACTS TODAY. ATLANTA INDICES NEGATIVE ON [redacted] ABOVE FURNISHED IN VIEW OF POSSIBLE PUBLICITY THIS DATE. NO INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED THIS OFFICE UCAB. MATTER REFERRED TO OSI OFFICE NIN AM EST TODAY.

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LINE X SIX SHUD LAST THREE WORDS BE WHXX THERE WAS BLOOD

YES THANKS ALSO LINE 10 SHUD IT BE THEY WERE UNABLE

YES OK TU

12-11 PM OK FBI WA RD

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cc: Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
Director
Domestic Intel. Division

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July 9, 1953

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[redacted]

Mackinac Island, Michigan

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of June 30, 1953, has been received in Mr. Hoover's absence from the city, and I am taking the liberty of acknowledging its receipt.

Your communication will be brought to his attention promptly following his return to Washington.

Sincerely yours,

Helen W. Gandy
Secretary

cc-Detroit, with copy of incoming.

cc-Cincinnati, with copy of incoming.

ATTENTION SAC: You are instructed to thoroughly check your files in an effort to determine whether or not the Mr. [redacted] referred to by correspondent has been interviewed by an Agent of your office. You should also furnish the Bureau any information which might assist in clarifying the story set forth by [redacted] Sulet results no later than July 15, 1953, under caption "Mr. [redacted], [redacted] Mackinac Island, Michigan, Research (Crime Records)."

Follow-up made for July 16, 1953.

NOTE: Although inquiries regarding such phenomena are being handled by the Air Force at this present time, it is believed desirable to check the sources of this rumor and following receipt of reply from Cincinnati, refer correspondent's inquiry to the Air Force. In 1939 and again in 1940 [redacted] invited the Director to attend the Michigan Hotel Convention, and both invitations were declined. An informant reported that in 1945 gambling on Mackinac Island was reserved for the Grand Hotel.

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Grand Hotel

WORLD'S LARGEST SUMMER HOTEL MACKINAC ISLAND · MICH

[redacted]

June 30, 1953

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

A relative of mine living in Circleville, Ohio has advised me of the following account.

Two years ago a respected farmer living near Circleville saw a lighted object dancing around, flying around in the air near him late at night in a pasture or field, -- a flying saucer. In due time this came to have general knowledge in the community, and about one year ago the story appeared in the Circleville newspaper.

Since then he is presumed to have been consulted with representatives of the F.B.I., so it is said there, and only three weeks ago or so it is said the F.B.I. representatives came to consult with him again. This time they brought pictures to show the farmer of various types of these flying saucers or space ships that have been apprehended by the government from time to time, and the farmer was able to identify one of them as the type of thing he had seen two years ago.

The farmer was told, as the story goes, by your representatives, that the particular flying saucer he identified is the type that is known to have been flown from the planet Mars, and that similar ships have been captured, and that your agency or the government hold captive one man at least in California, who was taken from one of these things from Mars. This Martian it is understood is now being taught how to speak English -- in California -- and taught American customs. It is said that it is apparent that this Martian comes from a civilization much more advanced than our own civilization.... and that this account has general knowledge as reported here in that community.

I understand that the farmer is a [redacted], that he is held in very high repute in the community, prosperous, conservative and of presumed sound mind.

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I can only believe that the account is a lot of nonsense, insofar as the F.B.I. telling the farmer that the government has captured several "flying saucers", and that they are from Mars, and that a Martian is being held captive in Californ It would be apparent to me that if the government did have such knowledge, they would not confide such information to the farmer, — and moreover that it is too utterly fantastic to credit with recognition as true. The farmer no doubt saw a "flying saucer", a light reflection or other light phenomenon such as the gover ment has said all such things really are, and not a space ship from Mars or anyot place in outer space.

I am writing to hopefully secure your advice, insofar as you can properly advise me publicly as a citizen, of what the truth is in this story. I should like to set my relative there straight. And I am curious personally to know what the rea story is about this farmer - Mr [redacted] of the Circleville, Ohio area.

Respectfully yours,

[redacted]

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CONFIDENTIAL

Date: May 14, 1953

Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS

There is attached for your information and assistance in this matter a copy of a self-explanatory letter dated May 9, 1953, received by this Bureau from Mrs. [redacted] Watertown, Massachusetts. Mrs. [redacted] letter has been acknowledged by this Bureau and she has been informed that a copy of her letter has been referred to the Department of the Air Force for appropriate attention.

Attachment

cc - 1 - Boston (Under Separate Cover)

(Attachment) (FOR INFO)

NOTE: Bureau files are negative re Mrs. [redacted]

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Hatfield. Mass.

May 9. 1953

Dear Sir:- (Y) (May 7th)

Thursday evening 9:25 PM I left school (M.I.T) and entered the parking lot along side of the school. I happened to look up and I saw what seems to be known as a flying saucer. I assume you it was not an air plane, a search light or a falling star. It was round in shape & a rather orange color it traveled horizontally at a rather slow speed for just a few seconds then dis appeared. just like that. I was not alone at the time, another student was with me & saw it. I can send you his name if you like it.

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Very truly yours,

[redacted]

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When I arrived home I spent appr
on help from calling C.D. & Air Fo
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getting no answers I called the
Watertown police who merely informed
me they didn't know what I should
do about it. It came as rather a
surprise to me, I thought that
there was supposed to be somebody
on lookout at all times. I do
not know to whom I should write &
in desperation am writing to you. I
do hope you will report this to the
proper authorities for me and I hope
you will suggest to the local C.D.
that they should have someone
a someone that a person could call
to report such findings. I would appreciate
very much a reply from you. May
I just add that I honestly don't know
what the unknown object was. I never
before saw anything like it. I would
be very happy to supply any other
information you would like.

Thanking you very much

Sincerely yours

[redacted]

[redacted]

Watertown, Mass.

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May 14, 1953

Mrs. [redacted]
Watertown, Massachusetts

Dear [redacted]

I have received your letter of May 9, 1953, and I want to thank you for making the information contained in your letter available to me.

Inasmuch as the information contained in your letter comes within the jurisdiction of the Department of the Air Force, I have furnished a copy of your letter to that Department for appropriate attention.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - 1 - Boston

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NOTE: Bureau files are negative re Mrs. [redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 4/28/53

FROM: SAC, SAN JUAN (65-330)

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT OBSERVED
11:30 AM, APRIL 8, 1953, FORT
BUCHANAN, PUERTO RICO:
MISCELLANEOUS

On 4/27/53 a report was received from Major [redacted] Wing Intelligence Officer, Ramey Air Force Base, Puerto Rico. The substance of this report is as follows:

Five persons observed an unidentified flying object at 11:30 AM on 4/8/53 at Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico. Statements were taken from all of the witnesses, among whom were three Captains and a Sergeant of the U. S. Army, as well as a civilian. They described the object as a bright star or a bright ball of fire at a great height, and it was moving rapidly at the time it was observed.

All of the witnesses observed one RB 36 aircraft which had been flying in the area at the time of the sighting of this unidentified object. The Wing Intelligence Officer reported that there were two RB 36 aircraft in the area at this time. These aircraft were reported to be flying at 12,000 and 21,000 feet respectively. None of the persons from whom statements were taken were able to accurately describe the object, other than by the statements set forth above.

This matter is being reported to the Bureau for information purposes.

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4/27/53 Sandwicher no need document OSI files, Army info.

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Mr. [redacted]
Valparaiso, Chile

Dear Mr. [redacted]

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your letter of March 4, 1953.

The interest which prompted you to make your observations available to me is sincerely appreciated. Since your communication may be of interest to another governmental agency, I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of it to The Honorable, The Secretary of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc-Foreign Liaison Desk, with copy of incoming.
copy by form, Secretary of the Air Force.
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TRANSLATION FROM SPANISH

Valparaiso, March 4, 1953

Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington
United States, North America

Subject: Individual who may possibly be connected with flying saucers.

Dear Sir:

In writing to you who directs the influential Office of Investigation which has international connections, I would like to state the following:

1°-a) I had the opportunity to read in a "Chilean" police magazine, in the section entitled, "Perfect Escapes," the escape of Dr. LINKE (42 years old, widower, who sometime in 1950, in London, was arrested on the 8th floor of the Building of Departments (?). The reason for his detention was his possible collaboration with VLADIMIR VLASAV in "divulging to foreign governments English aviation secrets".)

In his attempt to get away, which occurred between 4 and 5 in the morning, a strange thing happened, "when the police came near the 8th floor, the whole building became dark, the elevators stopped and the telephones and loudspeakers became silent. When the police arrived on the 8th floor with their flash lights, they immediately went off. (Nevertheless, he was arrested at 6 A.M.).

b) Dr. LINKE escaped from the Kent Prison (a few days after he was imprisoned) and according to statements of the author of the article, which should be accurate, he did it in the following manner: Between 12 midnight and 2 A.M., in rainy weather, Dr. JULIUS LINKE disappeared under the following circumstances: the electricity, elevators, telephones, and flash lights of the guards would not function.

TRANSLATED BY:
[redacted]
March 12, 1953

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According to the article, among other statements of the guards, was the fact that between midnight and 2 o'clock rain fell in torrents and for a few moments there was complete darkness because the lights went off. A guard tried to ring the alarm which would set off the siren, and it did not work; he yelled to another guard but did not get an answer, and his voice sounded very "distant"; although he tried to warn his chiefs personally, he could not run or even walk fast (he had to walk slowly).

2°).—A little before the fall of Berlin, "the motors of autos and trucks stopped unexpectedly," without any apparent explanation; after one hour they succeeded in starting them again. During this occasion it was commented that "something rare occurred in the atmosphere."

3° - About three months ago I read in a local newspaper about the "flying saucers," with the reservation that perhaps they would be speculating about the flying saucers; however, it is undeniable that they were telling the truth. It stated that, according to the article from a news agency, an officer and his associate who were flying a plane saw a "flying saucer." They followed it, but it, as in previous cases, whirled about and could not be reached. However, the flying saucer flew very high and then it began a rapid descent; it stopped a few seconds on the officer's airplane, paralizing the motors of the airplane, (according to statements of the aviators). Later the disk flew very high and was lost from view, and the airplane motors began working.

Any inference from the above statements — according to my way of thinking, — that these facts may appear to be imaginary, is dispelled by the statements of various witnesses on each occasion, and therefore they are "scientific" facts.

If on two occasions paralization of electricity occurred, as well as what we may call paralization of vital forces (in the case of the guards), and in said cases "the interference of one person," Dr. LINKE, is inferred, why could not Dr. LINKE also be connected with the other two cases (2 and 3)?

It may be that all this is not in any way related and that the flying saucers are nothing more than what has been given as a scientific explanation, but the "strange force," about which our ancestors have not spoken to us in history, we cannot deny.

I submit for your full consideration all I have said, my only motive being "human interest for human affairs" and my desire for the progress of humanity, for a good future full of dignity and cosmic evolution.

Without further particulars, I remain

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

Chile, South America

P. S. Please acknowledge receipt of this letter.

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Date: March 12, 1953

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS

At 9:05 p.m. on March 9, 1953, an individual giving his name as [redacted] telephonically contacted this Bureau and advised he had just seen a flying saucer near Bowie, Maryland. Mr. [redacted] was vague as to any details in this matter and would not furnish any information concerning his residence or the place from which he was making his telephone call. No additional pertinent information in this matter was furnished by Mr. [redacted]

The above is being furnished to you for your information and assistance in the captioned matter. No investigation is being conducted by this Bureau concerning this matter.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : A. H. Belmont

DATE: March 10, 1953

FROM : L. E. Martin

SUBJECT: FLYING SAUCERS
[redacted], INFORMANT

[redacted] called from Bowie, Maryland, at 9:05 P.M., 3/9/53, to advise that he had just seen a flying saucer near that city. He was vague as to details and nonresponsive as to where he was calling from and as to his residence. When asked where he planned to stay tonight, at least, in order that Air Force might interview him if deemed advisable, [redacted] said the writer wanted to know too much and disconnected. Since no specific information was furnished and since the call may have been a prank, the Air Force was not advised. Since no identifying information was obtained, no attempt was made to check Bureau records.

Recommendation:

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Date: March 6, 1953

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING SAUCERS

The following information has been received by this Bureau from its representative in London, England, concerning the captioned matter:

Major [redacted]
U. S. Air Force Base, Mildenhall, England, telephonically contacted the writer on February 14, 1953, regarding the new or revived interest in "flying saucers." He stated he did not have any new information to report but he knew of an incident that took place several years ago which this Bureau might desire to check.

This incident, according to Major [redacted] concerns an article or story on "flying saucers" which appeared in a small newspaper with limited circulation located at Jeffersonville, Delaware Township, Sullivan County, New York. He was unable to recall the name of the newspaper but was certain it is the only one published in that area. The story appeared in one of the early 1947 issues or in one of the issues during the last three months of 1946. It was written by a member of the U. S. Armed Forces and of significance is the fact that subsequent issues failed to follow it up by

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carrying additional stories on "flying saucers." Also significant is the fact that it appeared in a small and practically unknown newspaper.

Major [redacted] states he is merely reporting this for what it may be worth.

The above data is being furnished to you for your information and any action you desire to take in connection therewith, inasmuch as this Bureau is not conducting any investigations relating to the captioned matter.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No. [redacted]

[redacted] RS

SUBJECT - AIR COURIER

Date: February 17, 1953

To: Director, FBI

From: [redacted]

Subject: "FLYING SAUCERS"

[redacted] at the U. S. Air Force Base at Mildenhall, England, telephonically contacted writer on February 14, 1953, regarding the new or revived interest in "flying saucers." He stated he did not have any new information to report but did know of an incident that took place several years ago and which the Bureau may desire to check.

This incident, according to [redacted], concerns an article or story on "flying saucers" which appeared in a small newspaper with limited circulation in the Township of Jeffersonville, Delaware Township, Sullivan County, New York. He was unable to recall the name of the newspaper but was certain it is the only one published in that area. The story appeared in one of the early 1947 issues or in one of the issues during the last three months of 1946. It was written by a member of the U. S. Armed Forces and of significance is the fact that subsequent issues failed to follow it up by carrying additional stories on "flying saucers." Also significant is the fact that it appeared in a small and practically unknown newspaper.

[redacted] states he is merely reporting this for what it may be worth and is being forwarded to the Bureau for any action considered appropriate.

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Date: February 11, 1953

To: Director of Special Investigations
The Inspector General
Department of the Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FLYING DISCS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

There are attached for your information in the captioned matter a Photostat of a letter dated January 20, 1953, received by this Bureau from Mr. [redacted] Franklin, Indiana, with the enclosures referred to therein, and a copy of this Bureau's reply to Mr. [redacted]

No investigation is being conducted by this Bureau in this matter.

Attachment

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January 27, 1953

[redacted]
Franklin, Indiana

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated January 20, 1953, has been received, together with enclosures.

Although I would like to be of service in connection with your request, I would like to point out that the FBI is strictly a fact-finding agency and it is not within the scope of its prescribed authority to make evaluations or draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization or individual. I know you will understand the reason for this rule and will appreciate my inability to be of assistance to you in this regard.

The literature and letter you forwarded are being returned.

Sincerely yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosures (2)

cc - Indianapolis, with copy of incoming and copy of letter signed by [redacted]
cc - New Haven, with copy of incoming and copy of letter signed by [redacted]
ATTENTION SAC's: (see next page)

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ATTENTION SAC's: Correspondent also enclosed a copy of the January 19, 1953 issue of "Space Review", the publication of The Interncticnal Flying Saucer Bureau, indicating the address as Post Office Box 241, Bridgeport.Connecticut. This small periodical contains news of various I.F.S.B. groups throughout the United States and England and news items relating to flying saucers.

No references can be located in Bufiles on the I.F.S.B.; "Space Review" or [redacted]